

August 15, 2016

Dan Ruben
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Ruben:

I am happy to let you know that I had an incredible experience working at Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services this summer. Thanks to the fellowship awarded by Equal Justice America, I was able to dedicate myself to helping indigent immigrants and asylum-seekers in the Washington DC metro area.

My most memorable experience was working directly with clients on their asylum applications. I had the privilege of working with three clients: Ms. Lana (name changed) was fleeing threats by terrorist organizations in the Middle East. Ms. Tulu (name changed) was tortured and raped multiple times because of her nationality and ethnicity. Ms. Roha (name changed) was a survivor of domestic violence trying to start a new life for herself and her two young children.

I interviewed my clients, wrote their declarations detailing why they face persecution in their home countries, gathered corroborating evidence, and submitted their applications to USCIS. I was inspired by my clients' strength and resilience, and was honored that they were willing to put their trust in me and share the details of their painful experiences. I was able to apply advocacy skills that I learned in law school, and also hone crucial skills for client representation that can only be learned through hands-on experience.

I cannot thank Equal Justice America enough for the opportunity to do legal work that brings real chance to people's lives. I am motivated to go back to law school and do more to give back to my community.

Sincerely,

Soohyun Choi

The George Washington University Law School

J.D. Candidate, May 2018



August 3, 2016

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Dear Mr. Ruben:

Ms. Soohyun Choi volunteered with Immigration Legal Services for the summer of 2016. We enjoyed having Soo work with us, and she made a serious contribution to our program.

Soo's duties included interviewing clients, completing applications for filing with USCIS, researching issues of asylum law, and drafting language to be included in an appellate brief. Soo completed her assignments professionally and competently. She worked well on her own and with our staff attorneys.

Soo enjoyed interacting with our immigration clients and demonstrated a keen interest in working on actual cases. She was able to apply her skills from law school to help clients navigate the immigration process. She was a quick study and used her writing ability to make compelling cases for clients seeking asylum.

Soo's work provided a significant benefit to our clients. We are grateful for her contribution.

Sincerely,

/s/ James Feroli

James Feroli