Summer 2018 EJA Fellow



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Entry 1: Week of 6/11/2018 (LinkedIn)

#EJAFellowUpdate

Over the past few weeks I have worked with Lincoln Square Legal Services to learn more about consumer debt and its broad impact on society. This past week we attended the Consumer Debt in NY Conference hosted by Fordham Law School. We heard from a diverse panel of legal professionals on how the problem has evolved since the financial crisis of 2008 and how legal professionals can better address the needs of their clients.

Entry 2: Week of 6/25/2018 (LinkedIn)

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Over the past month I have worked with Lincoln Square Legal Services on consumer debt cases. This past week we visited CLARO, a legal advice project for unrepresented defendants in consumer debt cases. CLARO operates in all five boroughs in New York City, and it was inspiring to see all the legal volunteers work to guide these unrepresented people through the, sometimes confusing, court system.

Entry 3: Week of 7/9/2018 (LinkedIn)

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This summer, I have been working with Lincoln Square Legal Services on consumer debt cases. These past few weeks I have visited CLARO, a legal advice project for unrepresented defendants in consumer debt cases. I have been able to use my language skills to translate for attorneys and prepare intake forms with visitors. For me, it has highlighted the acute need for interpreters in our courts (especially in the Bronx).

Entry 4: Week of 7/23/2018 (LinkedIn)

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This summer, I have been working with Lincoln Square Legal Services on consumer debt cases. These past few months, I have seen all kinds of consumer debt cases. Many of the cases involve improper service or, as it's called in New York City, "sewer service." This summer has helped me appreciate the efforts of public interest groups to expose improper service and help low-income defendants.