SUMMER 2024 EJA FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

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Update 1:

I'm happy to share that I've been with AJSOCAL this summer working with their impact litigation team. I have learned so much in the last three weeks, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to work alongside amazing mentors who are passionate about promoting justice and societal change. It's been great being able to apply what I learned in my first year of law school, and I'm excited to see where I can go with my legal career! Thank you to all my friends, family, and mentors who have helped me get here, and thank you Equal Justice America for supporting me and other fellows this summer.

Update 2:

My fifth week at AJSOCAL has come to a close, and I'm shocked at how fast my internship has been going. Because I'm on the Impact Litigation team, I have had to research issues from contract enforcement between public bodies to immigration issues at the border due to recent policies. I had the privilege of strategizing legal theories to enforce resolutions passed by quasi-legislative bodies that promote the rights and interests of the API community in LA. I love that I can apply the research skills I learned in school to learn about current legal issues that affect my community, and more importantly be able to do something about it through litigation. I'd like to thank EJA again for making this summer possible for me.

Update 3:

This week I tackled a new issue regarding licensing and the healthcare industry. I've learned that attorneys who do impact litigation are like a jack of all trades because they have to quickly familiarize themselves with a legal issue and industry that they are not familiar with to provide representation to their clients. I researched the policies and procedures to obtaining professional nursing licensure in California on behalf of a client. I would have never understood the hurdles that nurses have to jump through in order to be in healthcare. In addition, I was able to do a client intake for the clinic this week, and this was the first time I was able to speak directly with someone who needed legal aid. I don't do a lot of direct client work within the

department I work in, but it was very insightful to formulate questions to best understand the client's need and learn on the spot how to best communicate with clients who are experiencing turmoil. It was nice being able to directly contact the people that we help at my organization, and it better put into perspective the type of work I'd like to do with my law degree.

Update 4:

This week I worked on summarizing depositions for AJSOCAL. It showed me more of the longer projects that attorneys take on in their day-to-day work. Though long and extensive, I was able to read the interactions and understand the type of evidence attorneys collect during discovery. By reading these depositions, I was able to see another side to litigation that coursework alone hasn't been able to teach. I enjoy the cases we litigate at AJSOCAL because they're focused on larger plaintiff classes, so it motivates me more to do the most I can with my summer.