



EQUAL JUSTICE AMERICA

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Final Reflection:

My summer with TRLA has come to a close and I can confidently say that it was one of the most meaningful and fulfilling experiences I've been able to be a part of. I was able to learn from incredible attorneys who are both experienced in their legal work and such kind mentors. I was also able to be a part of meaningful projects that I think will actually have an impact on people's lives. I was able to learn different skills like document preparation, legal research, and client communication among others which I will take with me in all my legal roles going forward. Truly, this was an incredible experience.

Some of my favorite moments from the summer came when I got to see some of the fruits of my labor. It was exciting to be able to join a zoom for a family law case I had conducted research for and see my supervisor get a positive outcome for the client. It was also great to be able to talk to the people who we are hoping to help during the farmworker outreach trip.

Another meaningful experience was when I had a client call go not so well. Understandably, the clients at TRLA are under immense pressure and sometimes that leads to frustrating interactions. After one such interaction, I was fortunate to have immense support from my supervising attorneys and fellow interns where I was able to learn how to do better in a safe, supportive space.

I feel so lucky that I got to contribute to making people's lives a little bit better this summer with TRLA in a community I call home.