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EJA FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT



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Final Reflection:

My experience working as a summer Law Clerk at the Public Law Center in Santa Ana, California has been amazing. I worked in the Health Law Unit and was able to help clients with access to health care issues. In addition, I attended and helped at a number of clinics, working directly with our clients. Some of the issues I worked on included medical billing issues, health care coverage, access issues, and fair billing practices. I also was able to get involved with the Family Law unit as well. I served in the Guardianship clinic helping individuals with guardianship issues as well as in the Domestic Violence Prevention clinic, helping individuals request temporary restraining orders from the court.

I also did research and wrote several memos on legal issues pertaining to our cases. In addition, I attended a number of trainings at Public Law Center regarding honing our legal skills and regarding professional development. One training in particular was regarding Discovery and was extremely informative. We were also invited to attend an afternoon sitting in the Court of Appeals Courtroom where we heard a number of cases in front of a three judge panel. I appreciated this experience as we were able to learn how appellate arguments are presented and heard.

I was able to work directly with clients. I loved this part of my position as I could see firsthand how what we are doing is helping our clients who ordinarily may not have access to attorneys. I am blessed to have had this experience and intend to pursue a career in public interest law.

The last few weeks of my summer internship at Public Law Center continued to be an



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amazing experience! I was able to work directly on many cases and assist clients with access to health care issues and family law related issues as well. I attended and assisted in a number of clinics such as the Guardianship Clinic and the Domestic Violence Prevention Clinic as well! This experience has been invaluable, and I will now continue during the Fall Semester as an extern for the Public Law Center. Thank you to EJA for supporting this wonderful summer Law Clerk experience!