




Summer 2018 EJA Fellow

Entry 1: Week of 7/11/2018



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The past few weeks, I've been working at Lambda Legal to help advocate for the LGBTQ community and people living with HIV. From the Masterpiece release to Kennedy's retirement announcement, it's clear that the battle for equality is an uphill one. Please support marginalized communities any way you can!

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Entry 2: Week of 6/25/2018



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Friday marked a victory for trans youth when a Florida federal court ruled that "Drew Adams is just like every other student at Nease High School... the law requires that he be treated like any other boy." According to a study by GLSEN, 59% of trans youth have been denied access to a restroom consistent with their gender identity and 75% have felt unsafe at school. Support trans youth and resources that help break the cycle of discrimination, violence, homelessness that disproportionately affects trans kids. [#EJAFellowUpdate Equal Justice America](#)



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Entry 3: Week of 7/9/2018

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I'm looking forward to following *Briteramos v. King's of Cuts*, recently filed by Lambda Legal in partnership with the Black AIDS Institute. No one should be refused basic services like a haircut because of their status. Ending discrimination based on HIV status requires raising awareness about the stigma associated with living with HIV, which stems from misinformation. Learn more about the Black Aids Institute at <https://lnkd.in/gMTWYR5> **Equal Justice America** <https://lnkd.in/gV5P37T> **#CutTheStigma #EJAFellowUpdate**




Lambda Legal and Black AIDS Institute Launch "CUT THE STIGMA" Campaign to Combat HIV Discrimination
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Entry 4: Week of 7/23/2018



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And with that, my time with Lambda Legal has sadly come to an end. The LGBT community and those living with HIV continue to face many barriers to achieving full recognition of their civil rights. Please continue support organizations like Lambda Legal and EJA who make positive, tangible change possible.
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August 28, 2018

Dan Ruben
Executive Director
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RE: Beth Macnab, EJA Fellowship Recipient

Dear Mr. Ruben:

My name is Kara Ingelhart and I am an attorney in Lambda Legal's Midwest Regional Office. I had the great pleasure of serving as Beth Macnab's supervising attorney this past summer during her legal internship.

Lambda Legal legal interns assist the organization in its mission to achieve full recognition of the civil rights of lesbian women, gay men, bisexual people, transgender people, and everyone living with HIV through impact litigation, education, and public policy work. As a result, legal interns, including Beth, work on a wide range of assignments to develop an understanding of the issues affecting the communities Lambda Legal serves.

Beth's projects included crafting legal memoranda to provide research on litigation strategy for ongoing cases. Her strong, well-researched memos assessed issues such as class action viability, venue selection, and damages calculation. Beth's work not only provided immense value to our litigation team, but also provided Beth with valuable research and writing experience. Beth's docket also included compiling background research on existing statutory and common law regimes affecting the LGBT community. For example, Beth supplemented a working practice guide on evolving statutory hurdles in litigation for prisoners living with HIV. Additionally, through Lambda Legal's Help Desk, she gracefully and compassionately conducted client intake calls. Through conversations with callers, Beth both flagged factual scenarios pertinent to our ongoing litigation and provided callers with the resources pertinent to the needs that she identified.

The Equal Justice America fellowship program makes it possible for students such as Beth to spend their summers learning from and contributing to important public interest work. I thank EJA for supporting organizations like Lambda Legal and outstanding students like Beth Macnab.

Sincerely,

Kara Ingelhart