



Summer 2018 EJA Fellow



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EJA Fellowship: Legal Advocacy for Children and Youth (LACY)

Entry 1: Week of 6/11/2018

#EJAFellowUpdate

Over the past few weeks I have worked with Legal Advocacy for Children and Youth to support children and youth that have been wrongly treated. In working for LACY I've conducted legal research, attended court, done home visitations to foster youth and visited juvenile hall. I've had numerous trainings in local policy, educational law, family law, etc. I've worked with attorneys that I truly admire, that have guided me through this process.

Entry 2: Week of 6/25/2018

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My continuing work with Legal Advocacy for Children and Youth has allowed me to do my part to support public service. By doing research work about Parentage rights I am able to further my knowledge and help my supervising attorney. Furthermore, I had the opportunity to have first hand experience with important topics such as asylum and immigration.

Entry 3: Week of 7/9/2018

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This week I was able to help a LACY attorney to review declarations from people held by ICE and CBP custody. I was tasked to check for Flores Rights violations, separation of parents, sanitary conditions of their confinement, access to water and food.

Entry 4: Week of 7/23/2018

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My last week working for LACY I was able to attend juvenile hall. Furthermore, I was able to do a home visit with my supervising attorney to check in with the client. At the end I was able to draft an advising brief relating to a dependency case. I enjoy being able to help and supporting my community through LACY.