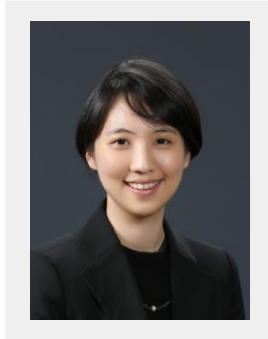




Summer 2018 EJA Fellow



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Entry 1: Week of 6/11/2018

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Over the past few weeks, I have been working with the East Bay Community Law Center's Community Economic Justice Clinic. I have been working for nonprofits and worker cooperatives clients and I am learning about antipoverty lawyering and community economic development. In my office, there is an elephant decoration, originally meant for a wedding. I always pass by it thinking that it is the elephant in the room and that it represents how much need is unmet in our community.

Entry 2: Week of 6/25/2018

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In the past few weeks, I have been working with multiple nonprofit clients. One of my clients is pioneering Tiny House Village movement, and they house homeless youth in Tiny Houses they developed. What is a house in legal terms, what regulation governs a house, and what our society can do to provide housing to homeless people are some of the questions we talked about. I am also doing work on affordable housing, and we are constantly asking what it means to have an affordable housing. I have seen many definitions of it, and our team questions why we need to have affordable housing for people who want to live near their workplace and what benefits it brings to our communities.

Entry 3: Week of 7/9/2018

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Today, CEJ, Clean Slate, and Consumer Justice clinics at EBCLC are coming together to hold an Economic Security and Opportunities Clinic in downtown Oakland. These three clinics aim to develop our community economically by providing legal and policy support. In Alameda County, nearly one in five people live at or below the poverty line, and the gap between the "haves and have nots" is widening each year, according to the county's Health Department. The East Bay Community Law Center provides legal assistance to intervene in legal crises, remove barriers to education and employment, and provide pathways to greater economic opportunity and independence.



Entry 4: Week of 7/23/2018

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Housing prices are so exorbitant that low income encompasses a broader group of people than you think in the United States. <https://www.vox.com/.../2.../4/20/15343720/housing-income-limits>

I am finishing up my work at EBCLC, and I am so grateful that Equal Justice America for funding me in addition to my school's grant.

Equal Justice America has sponsored fellowships for more than 4,300 law students to work with over 500 legal services organizations across the country. Interning under the supervision of experienced attorneys, our fellowship recipients have provided crucial assistance to low-income clients struggling through the complexities of our civil justice system.