



Summer 2020 EJA Fellow:



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Law School: Loyola Law School, Los Angeles

Organization: Neighborhood Legal Services
of Los Angeles County

Week of June 15th

This summer, I'm serving as an Equal Justice America Fellow at Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County in their Housing unit. In my few short weeks at NLSLA, I've had the opportunity to work on fighting predatory loan practices, evictions, and discrimination in public housing.

While the Stay at Home order has stalled evictions and foreclosures, many Angelenos continue to face barriers to housing. This year, LA saw a 12.7% rise in homelessness. Once the order is lifted, we can expect a flood of evictions and foreclosures. NLSLA is on the frontlines of the fight to end homelessness and ensure housing is available to all. I am incredibly grateful to be part of an amazing team and to have the opportunity to learn so much in just a few short months.

Equal Justice America helps public interest students like me provide civil legal services to the most vulnerable. Please consider supporting Equal Justice America.

Week of July 6th

My experience at Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) continues to be rewarding. I have been helping Los Angeles County residents who are disabled to keep their homes at a time when "home" is more important than ever. One of my cases involves an elderly gentleman who is at risk of becoming homeless. Since the pandemic "Safer at Home" order was issued, he has not had a working refrigerator or stove. I am working to improve his living conditions and keep him in his home. NLSLA helps thousands of tenants like him navigate housing and landlord/tenant law. You can help tenants keep their homes by ensuring they have equal access to representation. Please consider supporting Equal Justice America.



Week of July 27th

This summer at Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County provided me with an invaluable opportunity to learn about housing law. I'm grateful to Equal Justice America for helping to make this experience possible.

Even though we've been remote this summer, NLSLA welcomed me and made me feel like part of the team. I am thankful to have been able to get to know and learn from the amazing attorneys at NLSLA. I am confident that my experience with NLSLA will help me succeed this Fall as a 2L at Loyola Law School, Los Angeles and during my career.

Assisting low income individuals in need of legal representation is critical. In normal times, low income individuals face numerous barriers to housing. During COVID-19, these barriers are worsened as low-income individuals struggle with the additional need for adequate technology. Please consider supporting students pursuing public interest internships.

Week of August 10th

Thanks to Equal Justice America I spent my first law school summer at Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County and assisted low-income individuals with housing issues. We all need a safe and healthy home. I am grateful that I had the opportunity to work with amazing clients, attorneys, and staff to ensure we all have access to one. Please consider donating to EJA so more law students can work in the public interest.