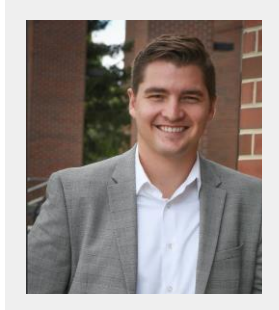




Summer 2020 EJA Fellow:



Name: Christopher Semrinec

Law School: Michigan State University

Organization: Legal Services of South Central MI

Week of June 15th

This summer, I had the honor of being selected as an Equal Justice America Fellow for my summer internship with Legal Services of South Central Michigan. While my internship thus far has consisted of all online work, I have been able to provide legal assistance directly to low-income individuals who are primarily struggling with housing and benefits issues. I have a strong admiration for all of the clients I have been able to assist so far, who have remained resilient throughout the Coronavirus pandemic regardless of their additional exigent circumstances. Working in public interest for those who would otherwise not receive the necessary legal assistance they need has truly opened my eyes to working hard at work worth doing. Additionally, please consider donating to EJA to help provide further legal assistance for those in need. Thank you Equal Justice America for selecting me as a summer fellow, Legal Services of South Central Michigan for allowing me to help others during a difficult time in our country, and Michigan State University College of Law for providing me with the legal education to provide the necessary assistance.

Week of July 6th

It has been an incredibly rewarding and educational last two months with Legal Services of South Central Michigan. With the eviction moratorium coming to an end this week, our office is facing a substantial increase in Landlord-Tenant cases and it has been both humbling and gratifying to work for those who are unable to receive the legal assistance they require. I am grateful to have another few busy weeks ahead of me in my summer internship and again would like to thank Equal Justice America for selecting me as an EJA Fellow and Michigan State University College of Law for providing me with this incredible opportunity. Additionally, please consider donating to Equal Justice America's Fellowship program to allow others like me to provide public interest legal assistance for those in need.



Week of July 27th

While my summer position as a law clerk for Legal Services of South Central Michigan has come to an end, I am pleased to announce that I will be continuing my work for this incredible organization in my fall semester of my 2L year at Michigan State University College of Law. My summer experience was unorthodox yet incredibly insightful. I was humbled by the work and honored to work alongside so many selfless attorneys and fellow law clerks who are truly dedicated to careers in public interest. I was even fortunate enough to have the opportunity to present an opening argument in (virtual) court during my final week of the summer. I am so grateful not only for this wonderful organization, but for Equal Justice America for helping me pursue a legal career in work worth doing. Please consider donating to EJA to assist future law students pursue a meaningful legal career.

Week of August 10th

As the fall semester of my 2L year at Michigan State University College of Law approaches, I am eager not only to begin my second year of classes but also to continue working with Legal Services of South Central Michigan as a law clerk. I will be working primarily within their Eviction Diversion Program (EDP) helping clients who were wrongfully displaced during the Coronavirus pandemic. This is an interesting and challenging time in the field of housing law and I am very grateful for the opportunity to work with some of the best attorneys in Michigan! I also have Equal Justice America to thank for giving me the opportunity to work with LSSCM this past summer, which has led me to my fall position. Please consider donating to EJA at the link below to help fund future students like myself, who are pursuing a legal career in public interest.