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LEGAL SERVICES FELLOWSHIPS

Summer 2020 EJA Fellow:



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Week of June 15th

My first EJA Fellow Update from my summer with the Family Law Project! I am so thankful to have been selected as a summer fellow for Equal Justice America to work in direct legal aid services for survivors of domestic violence in my home state of Michigan. The past few weeks have been such a learning experience, from attending trainings to drafting briefs. I am grateful to be able to see first-hand the ways in which domestic violence legal work overlaps with housing, mental health advocacy, and more, and to participate in this holistic legal services work. Please consider supporting EJA's vital work.

Week of July 6th

Welcome to my "office" for my summer at the Family Law Project with my second EJA Fellow Update! Working at a legal services organization from home presents unique challenges and opportunities. I'm so glad that the Michigan Advocacy Program has risen to the circumstances and has continued to provide crucial legal services to marginalized populations throughout the state, and I am grateful to be part of this work! Please consider contributing to Equal Justice America's Mission to provide law students with the necessary funding to work in public interest legal fields.

Week of July 27th

I'm wrapping up my summer with the Family Law Project this week! During the past few months, I have directly served indigent survivors of domestic violence in all stages of divorces, custody challenges, and personal protection orders. It has been a challenging and rewarding experience, and I have learned so much about legal aid. I'm so grateful to Equal Justice America for enabling me, and other law students throughout the country, to dedicate our time to crucial legal services organizations such as the Family Law Project and Legal Services of South Central Michigan.



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Week of August 10th

My final EJA Fellow Update! What an amazing and illuminating summer with the Family Law Project at Legal Services of South Central Michigan. I learned so much about the necessity of robust, holistic legal aid for survivors of domestic violence and their families. From client intakes to court hearings, I was able not only to represent clients across various case stages, but also deepen my own legal skills. I will always be grateful to Equal Justice America for making it possible for me to complete a summer internship with this incredible legal aid organization.

Please consider donating to make it possible for future classes of law students to devote their summers to public interest internships.