



## Summer 2020 EJA Fellow:



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### 6/15/2020:

Over the past three weeks I have been working with the [Legal Aid Society](#) in the Immigration Law Unit representing clients through the New York Immigrant Family Unity Project. Right now, as COVID-19 has put non-detained cases on hold, our priority is seeking bond for our detained clients. At the same time, I am working with one of our non-detained clients on beginning an asylum application. Meanwhile Legal Aid has put together an extraordinary set of remote trainings for law students in the Immigration Law Unit. I will follow up on this post again in later weeks, and you can support the work of EJA fellows.

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### 6/30/2020:

In recent weeks working at the [Legal Aid Society](#) in the Immigration Law Unit, my biggest project has been preparing clients to answer questions in their bond hearings. This has been a challenging but rewarding opportunity to develop my skills as an advocate for our clients in the difficult environment of post-Covid telephonic hearings. I will follow up on this post again in later weeks.

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### 7/27/2020:

In recent weeks working at the [Legal Aid Society](#) in the Immigration Law Unit, my latest project has been preparing initial DACA applications in light of the Supreme Court's recent ruling reinstating the program. We've also been preparing for a wave of bond hearings and also getting ready for individual merits hearings to begin again in New York's immigration courts. I will follow up on this post again in later weeks.



**8/15/2020:**

I recently completed my summer with the [Legal Aid Society](#) in the Immigration Law Unit. My time with Legal Aid provided essential training in the basics of removal defense, and valuable experience with bond hearings and seeking immigration relief including asylum and special immigrant juvenile status. Many thanks to EJA for their support.