



Summer 2021 EJA Fellow:



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Update 1:

Out of the frying pan and into the fire! Here we go with my first legal internship. I was assigned my first five projects. In training we were taught about prioritizing and being honest with attorneys who ask for help when we have a lot on our plate. So far, the attorneys I have been paired with have been really relaxed about the projects I have gotten and they just want weekly check ins.

This summer is looking to be promising. I can't wait to dive into research, apply what my first year taught me, and learn even more along the way!

Update 2:

This week was packed!

I have been tossed into real research topics and have already submitted one informal memorandum. I'm starting to research now for a capital defense case. As of now I am just getting familiar with the story line and looking at what is already out there case file wise and in the media.

I expressed my interest in getting more hands-on experience and now I am even scheduled to assist in note taking and will be helping with the client visit at the end of the month. This is slowly confirming that I have chosen the right sector of law to pursue.

My time so far has been great thanks to NCPLS and EJA for even making this possible.

**Update 3:**

I have finished up my paperwork for the office and now will be eligible to attend and help with hearings at court too just waiting until those opportunities arises.

I will say working for home is not what I expected, but I know working on my skills in this setting will do nothing but strengthen my performance in the office setting incredibly thankful for this experience!

I will say that I am excited to potentially have the opportunity to start going into the office 2 to 3 times a week (assuming that gets approved for interns).

Entry 4:

Time to brag a bit! I am starting to feel the rush of lawyering. While it seems very rewarding and that it will eventually pay off, the front load of the work is definitely gruesome, but that is what I've signed up for. My brag is I had a quick 24 hour turn around which my supervisor said I executed flawlessly and gave me kudos in the group meeting. It is all about the little wins and I am thrilled to have this experience!