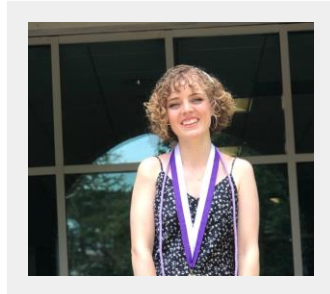




Summer 2021 EJA Fellow:



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Update 1:

During my first few weeks at LSSCM Family Law Project, I have gotten the chance to work on divorce and custody cases for survivors of domestic violence. With the support of Equal Justice America, I have been given the opportunity to support low-income survivors and develop my advocacy skills.

Update 2:

I can't believe I am over halfway done with my internship. Through conducting research, observing hearings, interviewing clients, and attending trainings, my understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence has expanded tremendously. Recently, I even had the opportunity to sit in on a trial.

Update 3:

This past week, I had the opportunity to assist a staff attorney in drafting the opening, closing, and direct questions for a client's hearing regarding a Personal Protection Order. I have been privileged to work directly with clients and to get a hands-on experience in drafting motions, pleadings, arguments, and more. Furthermore, having the opportunity to observe a handful of PPO hearings sparked a greater interest in PPO work in the future.

Entry 4:

It is time for my final #EJAFellowUpdate! Throughout my summer working with MAP's Family Law Project, I strengthened my advocacy skills, got hands on experience with drafting pleadings, motions, and more, and grew my understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence. I am sad to see my internship ending, but forever grateful for opportunity. Working in a public interest legal field is challenging, through incredibly rewarding. Thank you to Equal Justice America and MSU Law for allowing me to pursue this internship opportunity.