



## Summer 2021 EJA Fellow:



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### Update 1:

I finished my 1L with The University of Texas at Austin School of Law - LL.M. Program a few weeks back. Since then, I have been working in immigration law with the Human Rights Initiative of North Texas Inc. My first few weeks have taught me a lot. I have been working with the Children's Program, which specializes in obtaining Special Immigrant Juvenile Status for immigrant children. The program protects children who have been abandoned, abused, or neglected by one or both parents, and I am forever grateful to Equal Justice America for supporting me as I learn in this field.

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### Update 2:

Since my 1L with The University of Texas School of Law, I've been learning more and more about immigration law. I've been working with Human Rights Initiative of North Texas Inc. for a month now and every single day has been a learning experience. The immigration process can be complicated in the best of cases and it has been an honor to learn from the amazing attorneys who make it a little bit easier. I was lucky enough to be able to attend in person a few weeks ago, and I got to sit in as one of my supervisors ran through the process with some of our great kids. It's been a wonderful experience and I am very grateful to Equal Justice America for helping me with my funding this summer.

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### Update 3:

I've been with Human Rights Initiative of North Texas Inc. since the end of my 1L with The University of Texas at Austin and every day has been full of lessons. I've been learning about the intricacies of the immigration process, primarily in the case of children eligible for Special Immigrant Juvenile Status. Each case provides its own unique challenges, whether it be in family court or in immigration proceedings, and my supervisors have been amazing about showing me how to navigate the process. I am extremely grateful to have this experience with them and for the support of Equal Justice America.



**Entry 4:**

I can't believe my summer with Human Rights Initiative of North Texas Inc. is at a close. I've learned so much in the course of these past few months, from family court to immigration, and I am so lucky to have been working with such amazing attorneys along the way. The immigration process is complicated, and it needs fantastic, hardworking attorneys like the ones at the Human Rights Initiative to ease the way. I am going to miss working with and learning from them as I return to The University of Texas School of Law for my 2L year, and I am so grateful that they allowed me this opportunity to learn from them. I am further grateful to Equal Justice America for supporting me in my summer internship. Please consider supporting EJA in providing other law students in pursuing a career in public interest.