

**LEGAL AID SOCIETY – INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS & SOCIAL JUSTICE
INTERN/EXTERN-SHIP**

The Individual Rights & Social Justice Practice group at Legal Aid Society is seeking a Spanish-speaking law student intern/extern for Spring 2022. This position is based out of our DuPage office in Wheaton, IL, and will be primarily remote, but the ideal candidate would be able to do occasional in-person work at the office. The exact start and end dates will be determined between the intern and their supervisor.

The Individual Rights & Social Justice Practice Group at LAS works to ensure victims of crime have access to a full array of legal and social services. The IR & SJ Practice Group primarily works with survivors of human trafficking, immigrant victims of crime, and individuals with certain employment-related legal concerns. This multi-disciplinary practice group engages in significant community outreach efforts and strives to ensure clients receive trauma informed services that address all of their needs, either through in-house services or by providing referrals to community partners.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Research case law and procedure for effective client representation;
2. Identify and analyze legal problems and solutions relevant to immigration, human trafficking, and victims of crime;
3. Participate with attorneys in client interviews and negotiations with adverse parties;
4. Maintain client files; and
5. Work effectively with staff and a diverse client population.

QUALIFICATIONS

The ideal candidate will possess the following attributes:

1. Spanish language proficiency (required);
2. Strong research and writing skills;
3. The ability to communicate effectively with attorneys, clients, and co-workers;
4. Strong organizational skills and attention to detail;
5. Ability to work effectively on individual assignments and as part of a team;
6. Patience and professionalism while working diverse clients; and
7. A willingness to ask questions and seek to clarify assignments and responsibilities.

To apply, please email a **resume and cover letter** to Elizabeth Gresk, Director of Pro Bono, at LASInterns@metrofamily.org. Please note in the subject line the position which you are applying for (IRSJ Internship). Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. LAS hopes to fill the position by December 2021.