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EXPERIENCE

FARMWORKER & IMMIGRATION RIGHTS CLINIC - Tallahassee, FL August 2021 - Present

Clinical Professor, Florida State University College of Law, Public Interest Law Center

- Represent survivors of violence and people fleeing persecution in applying for humanitarian protections under U.S. immigration law.
- Supervise students on casework and teach best practices in client-centered, trauma-informed lawyering.
- Work with students to engage in policy advocacy and community outreach.

GULFCOAST LEGAL SERVICES - Wimauma, FL

March 2021 - September 2021

Supervising Attorney, Immigration Unit

- Represented survivors of crime and human trafficking in immigration petitions before U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR).
- Conducted Know Your Rights presentations and legal screenings.
- Supervised staff and managed Wimauma office.

MCINTYRE THANASIDES, P.A. - Tampa, FL

March 2020 - March 2021

Associate Attorney, Complex Litigation Division

- Represented clients in complex civil litigation cases.
- Drafted motions, pleadings, and briefs for state and federal court proceedings.
- Conducted legal and factual research to support lead attorneys.

FLORIDA JUSTICE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS (FL JFON) - Largo, FL

Staff Attorney

December 2019 - March 2020

- Conducted legal screenings for naturalization eligibility.
- Represented clients in naturalization applications and interviews.
- Appealed denials of naturalization applications.

MIGRANT AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY ACTION (MICA) PROJECT - St. Louis, MO

Staff Attorney, Children's Immigration Advocacy Program

September 2018 - March 2020

- Represented unaccompanied children and families in immigration court proceedings.
- Represented children and caregivers in state family court proceedings.
- Represented clients in applications for Asylum, U visas, SIJS, VAWA, and family petitions.
- Conducted know-your-rights presentations and legal screenings.
- Prepared grant applications to fund Children's program.
- Presented on immigration issues to university and community partners.
- Developed tools for facilitating affidavits and mental health evaluations for asylum and U visa cases.
- Created case management tools for clients and attorneys to transparently discuss legal processes.

MIGRANT AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY ACTION (MICA) PROJECT - St. Louis, MO

Legal Intern

January 2018 - September 2018

- Represented clients in immigration court proceedings.
- Represented clients in applications for Asylum, U visas, SIJS, VAWA, and family petitions.
- Drafted affidavits, motions, and briefs for immigration court cases and affirmative applications.
- Conducted client interviews and legal screenings.
- Interpreted and translated in Spanish and French.

SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER - Tallahassee, FL

Criminal Justice Reform Project, Extern

August 2017 - December 2017

- Drafted legislative policy talking points and proposed bill language.
- Analyzed bills to determine impact on vulnerable communities.
- Drafted memos, pleadings, and public records requests.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CENTER - Tallahassee, FL

Children in Prison Project, Student Attorney

August 2017 - January 2018

- Represented minor children in post-conviction relief proceedings.
- Drafted constitutional amendments on juvenile justice and publicly addressed the Florida Constitutional Revision Commission.
- Briefed coalition members on drug and human trafficking courts.

CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS - Tallahassee, FL

Volunteer

February 2017 - December 2017

- Represented children and survivors of violence in petitions for U & T visas, Adjustment of Status, SIJS, and Asylum.
- Researched country conditions and U.S. immigration law.
- Interviewed clients and drafted affidavits.

AMERICANS FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE - Miami, FL

Detention Program, Legal Intern

June 2017 - August 2017

- Visited detention center to conduct weekly intakes, legal consults, and know-your-rights presentations.
- Drafted affidavits for asylum cases.
- Represented clients in Bond, Asylum, and Cancellation of Removal proceedings.
- Conducted legal research and researched country conditions.
- Translated documents and interviewed clients in French and Spanish.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CENTER - Tallahassee, FL

Child Advocacy Clinic, Student Attorney

May 2017 - June 2017

- Drafted and filed petitions and motions in probate and family court.
- Represented unaccompanied minor in SIJS guardianship petition.
- Represented refugee family in adoption proceedings.
- Collaborated with International Rescue Committee and Center for the Advancement of Human Rights to represent clients in immigration proceedings.

TALLAHASSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE - Tallahassee, FL

Adjunct Instructor

September 2014 - July 2015

- Taught French, English Composition, and Humanities.
- Developed lesson plans.
- Conducted one-on-one writing workshops.

THE NEW YORK TIMES, PARIS BUREAU - Paris, France

Assistant Journalist to Paris Correspondent Elaine Sciolino

June 2013 - January 2014

- Drafted memos summarizing events and interviews.
- Translated and transcribed materials in English and French.
- Managed website and scheduled appointments.

PRIVATE ENGLISH AND FRENCH TUTOR - Paris, France

September 2013 - August 2014

- Accumulated a clientele of up to 25 students.
- Created individualized reading, writing, and speaking lessons for students from ages 6 to 50.

L'ECOLE DE L'INNOVATION ET DE L'EXPERTISE INFORMATIQUE – Le Kremlin-Bicêtre, France English Professor February 2013 – June 2013

- Created conversational English lesson plans and activities.
- Organized and led visits to museums, exhibits, and restaurants as cultural education.

EDUCATION

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW- Juris Doctor

May 2018

Journal of Transnational Law and Policy, Articles Selection Editor and Blog Editor

Book Award & International Bar Association Certificate - International Human Rights

Jessup International Moot Court Competition

International Law Students Association, Vice President

University of Oxford, Study Abroad Program

Florida Rural Legal Services, Alternative Spring Break

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY - Master of Arts in History and Literature

Columbia University's Global Center in Paris, France

October 2013

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY - Bachelor of Arts in Humanities

May 2012

Summa cum Laude Study Abroad in Paris

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish. Fluent in French.