

# ASHLEY HAMILL

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## EXPERIENCE

### **IMMIGRATION & FARMWORKER LAW PROJECT – 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 legislative advocacy and community education.

### **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**

**December 2019 – March 2020**

*Staff Attorney*

- 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**

**September 2018 – March 2020**

*Staff Attorney, Children's Immigration Advocacy Program*

- 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.