

UNACCOMPANIED MINOR PRO BONO PROGRAM

Introduction

Social Justice Collaborative ("SJC") is excited to announce our Unaccompanied Minor Pro Bono Program, which seeks to increase representation of minors who are fleeing violence or other harm in their home countries.

SJC seeks a diverse range of attorneys from solo to mid-size practitioners, as well as large firm counsel who want to support a vulnerable minor going through removal proceedings. Removal is an administrative adversarial process whereby the US government is actively seeking to remove a minor from the United States. The assistance of a pro bono attorney will dramatically affect each minor for the rest of their lives in the United States and potentially help family members as well.

Requirements

- <u>Admission</u> in good standing to bar of any 50 states, or District of Columbia
- <u>Time</u> commitment of around 15-20 hours to build and produce, not including interviews or court time
- <u>Fluency</u> in Spanish ideal, or willingness to work with interpreters
- <u>Mandatory training</u> session and at least one CLE as well as optional meetings with mentors and supervisors
 - Upcoming Training: December 8, 2015 from 5:00 pm 7:00 pm at our office
 - For more training dates, please contact probono@socialjusticecollaborative.org

Expectations

- <u>Lifespan</u> of cases average 4 months, up to 6 months (as needed)
- <u>Work</u> closely with supervisors and mentors at SJC to ensure superior work-product
- <u>Willingness</u> to learn about working with low-income clients, compassion and respect for vulnerable populations

<u>Apply</u>

Please reach out to the pro bono coordinator at Social Justice Collaborative by emailing your letter of interest or resume and contact information to probono@socialjusticecollaborative.org.