



## LEGAL AID WORKS®



LAW looks forward to another year of championing fairness by advocating for those with the least access to the civil justice system.

### **CLIENT CORNER:**

With the help of Legal Aid Works, individuals facing horrific situations, leaving them vulnerable without legal representation, can finally seek the justice they deserve. A client we'll call "Barbara" recently had an intake with L.A.W. at the office of Empowerhouse, the organization providing support to domestic violence survivors. The most recent domestic violence incident that Barbara faced took place during the fall of last year, when her then husband punched her teeth out. The couple married in 2006, but have been separated since 2014 due to the alcoholism and violent behavior displayed by Barbara's spouse.

Barbara met with a L.A.W. attorney in mid-May, and was able to obtain her uncontested divorce, based on a one-year separation, by late-June from the Fredericksburg Circuit Court. Barbara's end goal is to go back home to Indiana, where her family has offered to help her find a safe, new home. This goal is now possible because L.A.W. helped Barbara seek the justice she deserved.

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## **INTRODUCING:**

We are fortunate to have several new, as well as some returning, volunteers joining us for the summer!

Special thanks to the following summer volunteers for doing justice here at L.A.W. --

Vasa Clarke (Fredericksburg Law Clerk), HaDiya Hairston (Summer student intern), Sydney Kotalik (Tappahannock Law Clerk), Lilian Oviedo (returning student intern) and Marty Poch (long-time volunteer and L.A.W. supporter).



Vașa Clarke, Fredericksburg Law Clerk



Sydney Kotalik, Tappahannock Law Clerk



. HaDiya Hairston, Summer student intern



## Saturday, November 2

## Jazz 4 Justice

L.A.W. hosts two (2) major fundraisers throughout the year, each of which helps us create true, lasting IMPACT for our clients.

Because of your participation in #GIVELOCALPIEDMONT alone, L.A.W. raised over \$9,000!

Now, let's see what we can do during Jazz 4 Justice™!

Interested in becoming a Jazz 4 Justice™ sponsor? Contact kvollten@ legalaidworks.org for event details & sponsorship benefits.

If you need legal advice, please contact the local hotline program, Legal Services of Northern Virginia (LSNV) at (703) 778-6800 (choose Option #1) or (866) 534-5243 (toll free) or you can apply online at www.lsnv.org (click on "Intake Application")

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### **GET INVOLVED!**

**Donate:** Make a gift or pledge today! Every gift helps a low-income Virginian gain access to justice they would otherwise be denied. Contact Development Director, Katerina Vollten, at kvollten@legalaidworks.org to learn more about giving.

**Volunteer:** Pro-bono work, filing, interpreting/translations, research, fundraising, community outreach & other important tasks. Want to get involved? Visit the 'Give Help' tab on our website to learn how!