



ABA The South Texas Pro Bono Asylum Representation Project (ProBAR) This is an in-person opportunity on the US-Mexico border with a nationally recognized nonprofit law firm providing direct assistance to migrants and asylum seekers. You will receive training and help individuals complete their work permit applications. With your involvement, individuals will be able to work in the United States and receive their Social Security card in under a month which is about 90% faster than normal. You will also have an opportunity to visit the border wall in Brownsville, Texas. See ProBAR's YouTube page for a brief video detailing the clinic. Bilingual, bring own devices.

Week: 2

Harlingen: In-person



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Week: 1

Austin: In-person



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Week: 2

San Antonio: In-person



Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program (DVAP) provides free, civil legal help to low-income people in Dallas County. PBSB participants will assist with drafting case summaries, observing case staffing, assisting with Continuing Legal Education programs and recruiting events, and assisting with intake and interviews at various virtual legal clinics. English/Spanish preferred, but not required, bring own devices.

Week: 1 and 2

Dallas: In-person



Catholic Charities Dallas a faith-based social service agency focused on improving the quality of life for people in need. CC-Dallas serves as some of the first responders to the community's most vulnerable, helping those in crisis move toward a better life. Immigration Legal Services work may include but will not be limited to helping clients with Family Visa petitions, Adjustment of status applications, Consular Visa Processing, Representation of survivors of domestic violence/victims of violent crimes, Representation of minors and adults in removal proceedings, drafting motions for immigration hearings, Naturalization/Citizenship applications, Applications for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Permanent resident applications for refugees and asylees, and/or Document renewals and replacements. English/Spanish preferred, bring own devices.

Week: 1 and 2

Dallas: In-person



Disability Rights of Texas (DRT) advocates for and protects the rights of individuals with disabilities and handles special education cases for K-12 students who have disabilities, including special education cases involving foster children and other students in psychiatric facilities. In addition to special education issues, students may possibly assist with other teams such as Community Integration/Healthcare, Social Security Rep. Payee, and HEAT (Housing, Employment, Accessibility, and Transportation). Students will likely participate in projects such as drafting federal administrative complaints, research of legal issues, and interaction with clients. English/Spanish preferred but not required. Bring own devices.

Week: 2

TBD: In-person



The Earl Carl Institute for Legal & Social Policy Inc Under the supervision of an ECI attorney, students may be asked to conduct legal research, assist with preparation for hearings, prepare legal documents, and assist with community education and outreach. This Week 2 opportunity is preferably in person. Our focus areas include property preservation (foreclosure defense, eviction defense and other landlord-tenant issues, title clearing, probate, and estate planning); juvenile justice (representation and advocacy in school disciplinary proceedings, delinquency court, and emancipation proceedings); criminal record clearing; citizenship by naturalization; and working with the Texas Southern University Innocence Project. The Earl Carl Institute is dedicated to identifying potential implementable solutions to legal and social issues disproportionately impacting communities of color and other disenfranchised populations. The mission of the Institute is to empower underserved and disenfranchised communities by addressing systemic social issues through legal representation, research, education, and advocacy.

Week: 2

Houston: In-person



Estrella del Paso is the largest immigrant legal services provider in West Texas and New Mexico. Interns will be working with our Removal Defense team who represents detained and non-detained non-citizens avoid removal from the United States. The work will range from assisting with intakes, evidence collection and compilation, legal research, and compiling country condition reports in support of asylum seeker claims. For those students who participate in-person, there may be an opportunity to assist newly arrived asylum seekers with completing work permit applications at one of the migrant shelters we provide services at. English/Spanish bilingual. In-person preferred but can accommodate remote.

Week: 1 and 2

El Paso: In-person/Remote



Human Rights Initiative of North Texas Immigration legal services. Through a pro bono network, staff attorneys and accredited representatives: we seek all of Immigration Relief: asylum, relief under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act, immigrant victims of violent crime and immigrant child victims of abuse, neglect and abandonment. English/Spanish required. Bring own devices.

Week: 1 and 2

Dallas: In-person



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Week: 2

Abilene: In-person



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Week: 1 and 2

Amarillo: In-person



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Week: 1 or 2

Brownwood: In-person



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Week: 1 and 2 **Dallas: In-person**



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Week: 1 and 2 **Ft. Worth: In-person**



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Week: 1 OR 2 **Dallas: In-person**



LANWT - Family Law is a non-profit public interest legal aid law firm that provides high-quality free civil legal services to low-income persons and groups from 30 offices and branches in 15 cities in North and West Texas. LANWT is the fifth largest legal aid firm in the United States. Students will have an opportunity to work directly with LANWT attorneys. Under attorney supervision, students may be asked to conduct legal and factual research, assist with preparation for hearings, and assist with community education and outreach. Students may also assist attorneys with preparing legal documents and provide support for administrative and/or court proceedings. The work may include many areas of Poverty Law including family/domestic violence, housing, consumer law, barrier removal, public benefits and community development.

Week: 1

Ft. Worth: In-person



LANWT Housing, Consumer, & Benefits is a non-profit public interest legal aid law firm that provides high-quality free civil legal services to low-income persons and groups from 30 offices and branches in 15 cities in North and West Texas. LANWT is the fifth largest legal aid firm in the United States. Students will have an opportunity to work directly with LANWT attorneys. Under attorney supervision, students may be asked to conduct legal and factual research, assist with preparation for hearings, and assist with community education and outreach. Students may also assist attorneys with preparing legal documents and provide support for administrative and/or court proceedings. The work may include many areas of Poverty Law including family/domestic violence, housing, consumer law, barrier removal, public benefits and community development. Bring own devices.

Week: 1 and 2

Ft. Worth: In-person



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Dallas: In-person



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Week: 2

Lubbock: In-person



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Week: 1

McKinney: In-person



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Week: 1 OR 2

San Angelo: In-person



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Week: 1

Weatherford: In-person



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Week: 1 and 2

Wichita Falls: In-person



Legal Hospice of Texas provides free legal services to low-income individuals diagnosed with HIV and terminal illness. The range of issues we assist with are Estate Planning, Employment, Public Benefits, Insurance and Housing. A law student volunteer can expect to assist our Lead Staff Attorney with research, drafting of basic wills, and screening of client's initial legal issue. All appointments are completed over the phone and staff meet in the office once a week as needed.

Week: 2

Dallas: In-person/Remote



Texas Fair Defense Project (TFDP) fights to end the criminalization of poverty in Texas using advocacy, education, litigation, and community lawyering. Provides legal services to people struggling with paying ticket and court debt, who have driver's license suspensions, or who have outstanding warrants. Internet access and computer.

Week: 1 and 2

Remote Only



TEXAS ADVOCACY PROJECT is a statewide agency, TAP works to prevent domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking through advice and counsel via our legal hotline, assistance in pro se matters, and court, or direct, representation. Pro se assistance includes help with divorce, child custody, and all types of protective orders. In collaboration with our social work department, TAP also assists with power-based abuse cases involving civil legal matters such as housing, employment, education, and immigration. TAP offers students the opportunity to interact with each aspect of the civil system and to become educated about the dynamics of abuse through legal research, document preparation, client interaction, and internal training. Dual language (not required), bring your own devices.

Week: 1 and 2

Remote Only



The Texas Legal Services Center Medical Legal Partnership is a civil legal aid model that positions services within healthcare settings to help people with legal problems be better able to access mental and physical care. The healthcare settings that our office serves include People's Community Clinic, CommUnity Care Southeast, Kind clinic, and Austin and Cedar Park VA clinics. Most of the referrals we receive involve housing issues, family law matters, and assistance with government benefits but include a wide range of legal services.

Week: 2

Remote Only



Lone Star Legal Aid is a civil legal services provider, and provides free advocacy, legal representation, and community education that ensures equal access to justice in 76 counties. Under attorney supervision, students may assist with legal and factual research, attend client outreach or educational events, and/or assist with an attorney with preparing legal documents and/or provide support for legal matters. Some of the civil legal matters involve, but are not limited to, consumer issues, family law, probate & probate alternatives, and estate planning. Clients include survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault, veterans and their family, and immigrant households. Student will need to bring own device.

Week: 1 & 2

Houston: In-person