



Host Site: East River Legal Services

Topic of Project: Rural General Practice

Location: Sioux Falls, SD

Description of Fellow Project:

The Rural Summer Legal Corps Student Fellow will assist low-income South Dakotans throughout rural South Dakota through improving current pro se form instructions and creating additional easy to read guidance materials. The Fellow will assist in developing, editing, and curating informational materials on the South Dakota statewide help page, www.sdlawhelp.org. The Fellow will also assist clients through outreach, educational events, and clinics aimed at improving access to justice for low-income and otherwise marginalized members of the community. Additionally, the Fellow will complete a wide variety of substantive legal tasks including intake screenings, client interviews, drafting pleadings, case management, possible court appearances, and closeout assistance for domestic violence cases primarily.

These summer placements will expose the Fellow to a broad base of legal cases including but not limited to: Landlord/Tenant/Housing disputes, Public Benefits, Medicare/Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Social Security Disability, Family Law, Veterans issues, and Elder Law.

Additional Applicant Qualifications:

None

