URBAN MORGAN INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Summer Internship Presentation
Farmworkers Legal Services
Suzy Firestone

- **Location:** Kalamazoo, Michigan
- **Task:**
  - FLS works with migrant and seasonal farmworkers, who are mostly Latino.
  - Interns do outreach at migrant labor camps and traditional legal research and writing and client communication.
  - FLS works on issues such as housing violations, wage disputes/working conditions, public benefits, and immigration.
Irish Centre for Human Rights
Will Abbey

- **Location**: Galway, Ireland
- The Irish Centre is one of the leading institutions in the development of international human rights.
- **Task**:
  - Researched for a Professor at the Centre,
  - Edited articles, and wrote part of an article on international victim's rights.
  - Primary research was on transitional justice and its impact on victim's rights.
Human Rights Clinic-University of Essex
Allison Bartlett

- **Location:** Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom
- **Duration:** June 18 – August 8
- **Supervisor(s):** Nathan Derejko, Clinic Director; Giulia Testa, Programme Manager for Roma Rights Project
- **Tasks:**
  - Contributed child trafficking section to a working report on Roma rights
  - Researched Roma rights and human trafficking as part of the European legal framework
  - Conducted interviews with NGOs about Migrant Workers
  - Edited Clinic Manual and created Annual Report for publication and distribution
  - Participated in institutional review and development meeting
Human Rights Clinic-University of Essex
Johnny Holschuh

• **Location:** Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom

• **Task/Opportunities:**
  
  • Helped work on a research project that focused on migrant workers in the greater Colchester area. Along with the project manager, Rob Donnellan, he conducted interviews with professors and leaders of local NGOs.
  
  • Attended the Colchester Migrant Worker Multi-Agency Forum, where they heard from local counsel members, police officers, and NGO leaders and presented an overview of the Migrant Workers Project.
  
  • Contributed to a Commissions of Inquiry Report. He researched and wrote two reports: one on the UK’s Bloody Sunday Inquiry, and another on Sri Lanka’s Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission.
  
  • Helped to edit and review a report on the War on Terror, as well as a section of a report on Roma Rights. Johnny also participated in the Clinic Retreat, and assisted in editing the Clinic Manual.
  
  • Had the opportunity to attend a presentation by Sir Nigel Rodley on truth-finding missions, as well as a workshop on applying for grants for NGOs.
International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia
Caleb Benadum

- **Location:** The Hague, The Netherlands; Languages spoken at Internship: English
- **Duration:** May 14 - August 14
- **Supervisor:** Anna Veretelnikova, Court Officer, and Lt. Col. Linda Murnane, Chief of Court Management and Support Services.
- **Tasks:**
  1) Researching and writing memorandum for the Court Officer on various issues
  2) Working on the disciplinary panel cases: Researching various codes of conduct, preparing judgments, making recommendations
  3) Working on several individual projects ranging from coordinating with VWS to helping evaluate other sets of regulations
UN Office of The High Commissioner for Human Rights
Chelsea Brint

- **Location:** Geneva, Switzerland; Languages spoken: English and French
- **Supervisor:** Ajith Sunghay, Human Rights Officer (India)
- **Department:** Asia-Pacific Section of the Asia-Pacific and Middle East Branch of the Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division
- **Tasks:**
  1) preparing for Missions to the field,
  2) researching and drafting reports submitted to the UN General Assembly and the Human Rights Council,
  3) and writing summaries of sessions of the Human Rights Council, annual meeting of the Special Rapporteurs, and various non-governmental organizations.
...and here it is the answer!!

CMS
General purpose

LHCb
Violation and b-phys

ALICE
Quark-gluon plasma

ATLAS
General purpose
South Africa Lawyers for Human Rights

Phil Bronson

- **Location**: Musina, South Africa. Languages spoken: English, Afrikaans, Venda
- **Duration**: May 28 - July 20
- **Supervisor**: Thabe Mogoboya (Office manager)
- **Issues**: Refugees Act of 1998 (right to an appeal)
- **Tasks**:
  1. Filled out appeals forms for refugees whose asylum status had been denied or expired. This included writing the client's "story" of why they fled their home country and why they needed protection in South Africa.
  2. Researched and cited in the appeals relevant human rights violations occurring in the client's home country and/or region from UNHCR's (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) Amnesty International reports.
  3. Visited the local Women's Shelter and Boy's Shelter to educate and inform recent refugees of their rights.
  4. Reported allegations of corruption to the proper (non-local) authorities.
Dow and Associates
Hannah Brooks, Emily Metz

• Duration: May 17 - July 9
• Supervisor: Unity Dow, Human Rights Attorney & Former Chief Justice of the High Court
• Tasks: 1) Researching child maintenance by legislation, closed and ongoing cases, and sitting in client consultations and trial
2) comparing international laws to propose national child maintenance reform
3) Researching and Memo writing for an ongoing torts case.
High Court of Botswana
Jen Cuesta

• Location: Lobatse, Botswana, lived in Gaborone
• Languages spoken: English, Seswana
• Duration: May 15- July 15
• Supervisor: Judge Lesetedi, one of the senior most judges on the High Court of Botswana. Presently a judge on the Court of Appeals.

• Activities/Tasks:
  1) Researched and wrote 5 papers on a variety of topics which were used to support and write the Judge's rulings.
  2) Attended Judge Lesetedi's court proceedings (trials, motions, rulings).
  3) Mentoring aspect: Judge Lesetedi consistently discussed his cases with me, how he was feeling about them and would often ask my opinion and/or give me an opportunity to ask questions.
High Court of Botswana
Sean Myers

- **Location:** Lobatse and, later, Gaborone, Botswana
- **Languages spoken:** English, Setswana
- **Duration:** May 17 - July 10
- **Supervisor:** Hon. David Newman,
- **Tasks:**
  - Wrote bench memoranda and drafted judgments on a disputed employment contract, the statutory interpretation of the statute of limitations for appealing tribal land decisions of a lower magistrate, and a statutory interpretation of the regulation of a land transaction
Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
Bobbi Dillon

- [www.nihrc.org](http://www.nihrc.org)
- **Location:** Belfast, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- **Duration:** May 24 – August 6
- **Supervisors:** Professor Michael O’Flaherty, Chief Commissioner & Virginia McVea, Director

**Tasks:**
1) Wrote basic guide to accreditation process for National Human Rights Institutions
2) Analyzed differences among the United Kingdom’s 2008 and 2012 Universal Periodic Review (UPR) general comments and the recommendations made by the NIHRC to the United Kingdom prior to the 2012 UPR process
3) Assisted with a meeting between the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and the European region’s National Human Rights Institutions on strengthening the human rights treaty body system
4) Edited plain language versions of major international human rights treaties for use in community trainings and schools
Internship Tasks

- **Legal Research:** ICTY Disciplinary Panel Ethics, Conflict of Laws, Judicial Code of Conduct
- **Legal Writing:** Drafting and editing Disciplinary Panel decisions, redrafting ICTY Rules of Procedure and Evidence
- **Trial Assistance:** Participated in CMSS Courtroom tasks and observed various trials, including Mladic trial
- **Miscellaneous projects to assist Linda Murnane (Chief of CMSS)**
Netherlands Institute for Human Rights
Lindsay Upton

- **Location:** Utrecht, The Netherlands
- **Languages spoken:** English, Dutch
- **Supervisor:** Professor Bas de Gaay Fortman: Professor of Political Economy of Human Rights at Utrecht School of Law.
- **Issue:** Human right to water and sanitation
- **Task:**
  - Researched on the realization of the human right to water and sanitation in India, Brazil, South America and Argentina.
Schonbrun, De Simone, Seplow, Harris, Hoffman & Harrison, LLP
Shahane Martirosyan

- **Location:** Venice, California; languages: English :)  
- **During:** May 18 - Aug. 1  
- **Supervisor:** Paul Hoffman, Human Rights and Civil Rights Attorney  
- **Tasks:** research and edit the SCOTUS brief *Kiobel*
Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Justice and Human Rights
Ashley Pannell

- **Human Rights Award:**
  - Every year they choose an outstanding human rights advocate to receive the Human Rights Award.
  - They partner with the laureate for 6 years, supporting their cause however they can.
- **I worked on the project involving the 2008 laureate, Aminatou Haidar from Western Sahara.**
  - Western Sahara is a former colony of Spain that was invaded by Morocco in the 1970’s.
  - Morocco and Western Sahara fought a war until 1991, when a ceasefire was established. Morocco agreed to hold a referendum among the Saharawi people on independence, but have never done so.
  - During the war, many of the Saharawi people fled to the Algerian desert and have been living there as refugees for almost 40 years.
  - Now, the Moroccan government uses forced disappearances, arbitrary detention, and torture to keep the Saharawi people from voicing their desire for independence.
- **CODESA:**
  - Aminatou is President of CODESA, a group fighting for human rights in Western Sahara.
  - She is called the Saharawi Ghandi because she advocates for a peaceful resolution to the conflict and has used hunger strikes to get her message across.
  - 1987: Arrested during a peaceful demonstration and was tortured by Moroccan authorities.
  - 2009: Moroccan authorities took Ms. Haidar’s passport and refused to allow her to enter the country because she had listed her nationality as Saharawi.
    - She was finally allowed back into her country after 32 days, during which time she was on a hunger strike and RFK Center advocated on her behalf.
- **My Work:** Mostly advocacy, but required legal knowledge for research on international law and Moroccan domestic law
  - Press Releases, Letter to Office of High Commissioner of Human Rights
  - Briefing binder for RFK Delegation to Western Sahara
    - Refugee Camp memo
  - Briefing for the UN Torture Rapporteur
    - Research in Moroccan law