

Fellow Profile

Name: Henry Zhu

Hometown: Hefei, China **Company:** Citigroup **School:** Indiana University

Major: Finance & International Business **Hobbies:** Cooking, traveling, learning languages

Why join ServiceCorps?

"Through the program, I hope to better understand the nonprofit sector so that later on, I can return to either the same organization or another organization in the nonprofit sector and utilize the skills I developed in the corporate sector to have a greater impact."



Social Sector Partner Placement

Placement Organization: Her Justice

Location: New York, NY

About Her Justice: Her Justice engages the talent and resources of New York City's law firms, bringing together committed lawyers and

determined women to secure life-changing results.

Fellow's Title: Legal Assistant



The Challenge

As a legal aid nonprofit organization with a team of 12 attorneys, Her Justice needs professional, multilingual legal assistants to support its legal department in day-to-day operations and developing new projects.

- 1. Assist & support teams of family & matrimonial law and immigration attorneys
- 2. Conduct intake interviews to determine if client is an appropriate fit for Her Justice services
- 3. Assist immigration legal team with client management and other projects
- 4. Provide interpretation and other support as necessary to attorneys at Family Justice Centers
- 5. Take on individual uncontested matrimonial and immigration cases with attorneys' supervision

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Outcome

Henry stepped in at a crucial time when the organization was transitioning to a new IT system and a previous legal assistant went on maternity leave, and he was able to maintain and expand Her Justice's ability to serve existing and new clients in family, matrimonial, and immigration law.

• Attorney Support

- o Managed clients for between 4-7 attorneys on a regular basis
- o Served as an interpreter for attorneys' Spanish- and Mandarin-speaking clients

Intake

- o Conducted 5-10 intake interviews a week with prospective Her Justice clients
- o Created a manual for training future legal assistants and volunteers

• Family Justice Center

- o Met with clients on-site with attorneys multiple times a week
- o Provided interpretation services to attorneys on a regular basis

• Individual Casework

- o Prepared an uncontested matrimonial filing under the supervision of an attorney
- O Prepared multiple immigration filings (including I-751 Battered Spouse Waiver and I-485 adjustment of status applications) under attorneys' guidance

Testimonials: Hear from the Fellow & Social Sector Partner

"Spending a year at Her Justice helped me learn how to multitask, work under pressure, and develop in a professional setting, while also expanding my perspective and helping me develop a stronger sense of empathy with and connection to the local community"

- Henry Zhu, Fellow, Class of 2017

