

FLORIDA STATE SUPPORT NETWORK

Advocacy & Litigation Support 03-2009

	Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center	Florida Institutional Legal Services	Florida Justice Institute	Florida Legal Services	Southern Legal Counsel	Florida's Children First
ADMINIS- TRATIVE ADVOCACY	As it relates to immigrant rights	As it relates to prisoners' rights and children/youth in the juvenile system; administrative hearings on SSI benefits and Medicaid for released prisoners	Primarily as it pertains to conditions of confinement of prison and jail inmates, fair housing discrimination, and other systemic matters impacting on poor persons	Administrative advocacy and the Florida Administrative Procedure Act	Administrative hearings, particularly on the rights of children with special needs before DOAH; Medicaid fair hearings; school disciplinary hearings	Extensive advocacy on Dependency, Medicaid, APD Waivers, and Education of children in state care
APPELLATE ADVOCACY	As it relates to immigrant rights	As related to prisoners' rights and juvenile justice issues	Conditions of Confinement appeals for prison and jail inmates, fair housing, and systemic matters in state and federal courts.	Appellate court procedure in state and federal courts	Appellate court procedure in state and federal courts	FCF will file amicus briefs on cases of importance to children's rights
ATTORNEY'S FEES	As it relates to immigrant rights	Federal attorneys fees as related to prisoners' rights and juvenile justice	Federal and state attorneys fees as related to prisoners' rights, fair housing and impact cases	State and federal court	Federal attorneys' fees, numerous sample pleadings, declarations, and time tickets	
COMMUNITY LAWYERING				Work in collaboration with community organizers and grassroots community organizations to support social justice campaigns.		
FEDERAL COURT/ PROCEDURE	As it relates to immigrant rights	42 U.S.C. §1983 class actions, bench trials related to prisoner's rights and juvenile justice	42 U.S.C. §1983 class actions, bench trials, jury trials	42 U.S.C. §1983, class actions, bench trials, electronic filing	42 U.S.C. §1983 Procedural & discovery issues class actions, bench trials, jury trials	

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LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY	As it relates to immigrant rights	As related to prisoners' rights and juvenile justice issues	Extensive expertise in legislative drafting and legislative challenges	Across almost all poverty law areas and funding for civil legal assistance	-	Extensive advocacy on Dependency, Medicaid, APD Waivers, and education of children in state care
STATE COURT PROCEDURE	As it relates to immigrant rights (e.g., juveniles)	Declaratory judgment actions, habeas petitions, civil commitment proceedings as related to prisoners and juvenile justice	Class action and declaratory judgment challenges in several poverty law substantive areas; trial and appellate skills primarily in the fair housing, disability, prison and jail conditions, medical malpractice, challenges to statutes and constitutional amendments	Across many poverty law substantive areas; trial skills primarily in the housing, employment law/migrant, domestic violence areas; Appropriations Act/separation of powers challenges, filing fees	Declaratory judgment actions; jurisdictional and procedural issues such as standing, mootness, sovereign immunity	