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VALERIE ZUKIN MEMORIAL SUMMER FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

Sponsored by ILD, NWIRP, CCIJ

Two fellows to be located at Immigrant Legal Defense, Oakland, CA;

Northwest Immigrant Rights Project, Tacoma, WA

All work is currently remote

Valerie Zukin was a fierce lawyer, a wise mentor, and a kind friend. She loved her family, her work, and her dogs. The community sadly lost her in September of 2021. The Valerie Zukin Memorial Fellowship has been established in Valerie's honor to advance the development of more fierce immigration lawyers like her.

ILD, NWIRP, and CCIJ are seeking summer legal fellows who are enrolled at law schools that do not provide stipends for summer public interest work. The Valerie Zukin Memorial Fellowship will be a 10-week full time paid fellowship, where fellows will be paid \$15,000 for the term of the fellowship. We are looking for law students who exemplify key characteristics of Valerie, who was a passionate, kind, and dedicated advocate for the most vulnerable immigrant populations. To learn more about Valerie Zukin, please visit the fellowship fundraising page at: <https://bit.ly/ValerieZukinMemorialFellowship>. Summer interns should be proficient in Spanish and comfortable with remote supervision as well as Zoom and other video conferencing platforms.

The two summer fellows will be housed at Northwest Immigrant Rights Project (NWIRP) and Immigrant Legal Defense (ILD), the first and last organization where Valerie represented detained clients. NWIRP's mission is to promote justice by defending and advancing the rights of immigrants through direct legal services, systemic advocacy, and community education. ILD's mission is to promote justice through the provision of legal representation to underserved immigrant communities. Fellows will work closely with attorneys on detained and non-detained removal defense cases.

To apply, please fill out the following form: <https://forms.gle/jCpuuXRMtDDnSFVJ6> and upload a resume, list of three references, and cover letter, including details as to how your background and experience prepare you to zealously advocate for vulnerable immigrants facing removal from the United States. **Deadline for Applications is February 14, 2022.**

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