

GROWING THE NEXT GENERATION OF IMMIGRATION ADVOCATES

Celebrating IJC's 9th Anniversary

2015

Rapid Response: Texas

IJC reassigned our Fellows to Texas to represent mothers and children who had been detained despite not having committed any crime. Three Community Fellows spent extensive time helping run the national pro bono program at Karnes and Dilley. Fellows assisted over 500 detained women and children with their credible fear interviews.

2017

Center for Immigrant Representation

IJC launched a low bono practice, Center for Immigrant Representation (CIR) in Jersey City, New Jersey. The Center offered high quality legal services to immigrants with incomes that make them ineligible for pro-bono services.

Rapid Response: Mexico

IJC sent a team to Tijuana, Mexico to volunteer at Al Otro Lado where they assisted nearly 100 asylum seekers and hosted Know Your Rights sessions for 118 attendees.

2020

Mental Health & Wellbeing Initiatives

With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, IJC made the health and wellbeing of our Fellows, staff, and clients our top priority.

2021

Launch of the Katzmann Legacy Fund



Judge Katzmann died in June 2021. IJC launched the Robert A. Katzmann Legacy Fund to fulfill his dream of providing quality legal representation to all immigrants in need in the United States.

2023

Strategic Planning

To ensure that IJC's unique fellowship is scalable and sustainable, staff, Fellows, and Board are participating in a strategic planning process to plan our growth for the next three years.

Our Impact

320+ Fellows
43 Host Organizations
15 States
Over 100K Clients Served
93% Success Rate
90% Retention Rate

2014

Launch of IJC



IJC recruits 25 lawyers and 10 advocates to defend immigrants' rights. All 25 lawyers are still working in the immigration field nine years later.

2016

IJC Scaling

IJC's scaling began with expansion of services to two new states: Connecticut and Texas.

2018

IJC Expansion

IJC placed Fellows in Arizona, California, Minnesota, Nevada, and additional sites in Texas to expand access to counsel to less resourced border communities.

2019

Access to Counsel Initiative



In partnership with the CAIR Coalition, this project provided legal counsel to all detained immigrants in Prince George's County in Maryland. The evidence gathered by the Initiative led to the legislature appropriating \$3.2M for legal representation of Maryland residents facing deportation.

2022

Alumni Testify Before Congress



IJC Justice Fellow alumni Kennji Kizuka and Aaron Reichlin-Melnick testified before the U.S. House Committee on Homeland Security at a hearing about Title 42.

Biggest Class of Fellows

33 Justice Fellows and 6 Community Fellows join making up the largest cohort ever in IJC's history.

IJC Growth

	2015	2023
Number of Fellows	70	320+
States	3	15
Clients Served	4K	100K



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