

# Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services



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## TN Represented at Equal Justice Works Annual Conference

Four attorneys are representing Tennessee at the annual Equal Justice Works Conference and Career Fair. Tennessee Fellows, pictured left to right, include: Kirsten Jacobson, Technology for Access to Justice Fellow, Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services (TALS), Nashville; Valeria Gomez, Justice AmeriCorps, volunteer immigrant defense advocates (VIDA), Knoxville; Matt Schwimmer, Elder Justice Fellow, West TN Legal Services, Jackson; and Sara Dodson, Elder Justice Fellow, Tennessee Justice Center, Nashville. Tennessee has not had an Equal Justice Works Fellow in over a decade. Ann Pruitt, TALS Executive Director of said that Tennessee's representation is, "a result of the amazing work happening in our state - thanks to the strategic efforts of our legal aid providers to build resources in key areas of need, and big thanks to [Tennessee's] incredible Supreme Court who declared access to justice their strategic priority several years ago and who continue to powerfully demonstrate their commitment today."

Equal Justice Works' website notes that, "The Equal Justice Works Conference and Career Fair is the largest national public interest legal career fair in the country. More than 160 public interest employers conduct interviews for internships and full-time jobs and meet with students in informal "table talk" discussions of public interest legal opportunities." Kirsten Jacobson's Fellowship with TALS is sponsored by International Paper.

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