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NEW CHAPTERS

"I met Jordan when she was in treatment. Later on, she asked for help with a divorce and joint custody. Today she is in college, just wrote a book, and is a great mom!"

CASEY MICHALOVIC
PROJECT RENEW PROJECT DIRECTOR

PROJECT RENEW CLIENT FROM ADDICTION TO AUTHOR

"For too long, financial constraints made it feel impossible to take the first steps toward a divorce, even though I knew that creating a healthier future depended on it. Legal aid gave me the resources and confidence to begin a process that had once felt insurmountable.

It meant I could finally assert my right to be an active, present parent—seeking joint custody so that my daughter could continue to have both love and stability in her life.

Legal aid has helped restore my sense of agency and reminded me that I'm not alone in fighting for what's right. It wasn't just about paperwork or court dates—it was about protecting my child, honoring her wellbeing, and reshaping our future together."

—Jordan Doyle

FAIR HOUSING

Bobby keeps his small subsidized apartment tidy and always pays rent on time. Living with anxiety and on oxygen, he brought home Sadie, an emotional support dog.

When his landlord tried to evict him, saying Sadie was the "wrong breed" and "overweight," Bobby didn't know where to turn. Then he called AppalReD Legal Aid.

His attorney fought the eviction, educated the landlord about the Fair Housing Act, and made sure Bobby and Sadie could stay home together. Bobby now has a lease that includes Sadie.

Now Bobby knows he has Sadie and an AppalReD lawyer at his side.

"She does make me better. I didn't know what to do."

The Heart of the Story

PRO BONO WORK AND PRO SE CLINICS

"Silvia" was very nervous about filing for divorce on her own. She spoke limited English and worried she would fill out the papers wrong or wouldn't know how to file them in court.

"You've really helped make a stressful and painful time go as smoothly as possible."

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Wills, FEMA appeals, eviction prevention, expungement, and pro se family law

Using an interpreter, AppalReD's clinic coordinator helped her complete the forms and explained all the steps of filing. When Silvia got a call from the court that her divorce papers were ready, she picked them up within the hour!

In less than a week, she ordered an updated social security card, and changed her name on her driver's license, bank accounts, and rental paperwork!

From full of nerves to full of confidence, Silvia's divorce propelled her towards a bright future!

Surprise Endings

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children and adults
helped by
AppalReD Legal Aid

*Close Up on
Disaster Legal
Service Needs
and Assistance*



44

Lives Lost



1000

landslides and
debris flows



1334

rescued by
helicopter and boat



5400

homes of low-
income families
destroyed



7164

Square miles of
impacted area



15,000

Registrations for
emergency shelter



568

Calls to Flood
Legal Help
Hotline



446

Disaster Legal
Services Cases



1145

people impacted by
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