

Jenner & Block Recognized with Legal Team Award from Her Justice

Recognition

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A Jenner & Block team, led by Associate Emily Mannheimer and including Partner Anne Cortina Perry and Associate Sara Cervantes, has been honored with the 2025 Legal Team Award by the nonprofit Her Justice. This award is given to teams of pro bono attorneys who work together as an impressive unit—determined, coordinated, and ahead of the curve—to deliver wins for their clients.

“The Jenner & Block team was humbled to work for our client, a woman who fought every day for a better life for her children and herself. Through the amazing support of Her Justice, we were able to help our client get the support for her family that they deserved, laying a strong foundation for their next chapter,” shared Emily, Anne, and Sara.

Jenner was connected to client Ms. Y through the organization. Ms. Y’s then-husband filed for divorce in 2020 and continually lied about his income to avoid paying child support for their four children.

Jenner represented Ms. Y through the entire process and helped prepare her for trial, including by securing pro bono expert support from Jenna Voss of Forensic Risk Alliance (FRA) who used principles of forensic accounting to assess the ex-husband’s tax returns and concluded that he was seriously underrepresenting his income. FRA then recalculated an income that the firm proposed the court use to calculate the ex-husband’s child support obligation. After one full day of trial in which the ex-husband testified and Emily cross-examined him, the judge converted the trial to a settlement conference that lasted two additional days.

The judge proposed, and the parties agreed, that the ex-husband would double the amount of child support he was paying, would pay her back for her contribution to their shared property, and would pay arrears for the years he did not pay child support after moving out. Ms. Y was incredibly satisfied with the results and her divorce was finalized in early 2024.

“Ultimately, Emily, Sara, and Anne delivered an excellent outcome for their client and her family, putting the reins back in her hands so she could move forward on her own terms,” said Anna Maria Diamanti, Esq., Her Justice Supervising Attorney.

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