

PROTECTING, ENFORCING & ADVANCING VICTIMS' RIGHTS

ELEMENTS OF JUSTICE

In 2015, our 15th year protecting, enforcing and advancing victims' rights, we celebrated courtroom and legislative successes, partnered with amazing advocates and attorneys, and stood in awe of survivor strength. We also worked to identify the key elements of justice so that our path to a better future would be clearer. In doing this work we identified at least 18 elements, including victim voice, privacy, protection, dignity, respect, notice, restitution and speedy disposition. Importantly, we also identified that a key element of justice is YOU - our community - fighting side-by-side every day so that every crime victim has every right honored in every case. We are grateful to each of you for your partnership and we look forward to the year ahead as we continue our fight to secure each element of justice.



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OUR WORK IN NUMBERS

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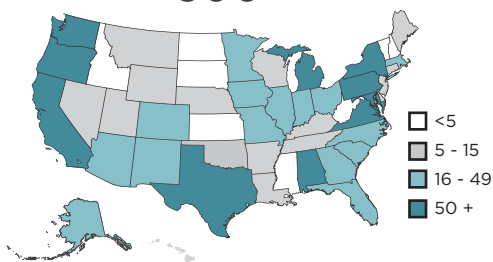
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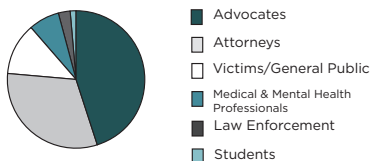
31 Jurisdictions

205 Victim
Intakes

Over **2,400** trained
including **300** military



Trainees



**ONE HUNDRED
FIFTY-EIGHT
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LEGAL WORK


Because **PRIVACY** is critical to accessing justice, we fight to ensure victims have control over their private information whether that information is in a diary, medical or counseling records, cellphones, court records or social media.

 **WISCONSIN:** Years after a criminal case ended, an assault victim discovered that simple Internet searches disclosed the court's opinion that included personal information. The victim's attorney asked NCVLI for help moving the court to substitute a redacted opinion and calling upon Internet search engines to remove the original opinion in order to protect the victim's right to **privacy**.


DIGNITY, FAIRNESS AND RESPECT are foundational to victims' ability to meaningfully participate in the justice process.

 **CALIFORNIA:** Armed with arguments crafted by NCVLI, including that a victim's rights to **access** justice, to **due process** and to **fairness** require that retained counsel be allowed to be present, a trafficking victim's attorney succeeded in overcoming law enforcement's objection to her presence during their interview.

Whether it concerns release conditions, protective orders or limits on discovery, **PROTECTION** is a key element of justice.

 **KANSAS:** A survivor of domestic violence sought a restraining order to **protect** herself and her children from her abuser who was charged with attempted first degree murder. The defense moved to depose the victim in the restraining order proceeding. Based upon the victim's **protection** rights, the victim's attorney, with NCVLI's assistance, successfully opposed the deposition!

Victims of crime should not bear the economic burden of crime. Fighting for full and timely **RESTITUTION** for every victim, including recovery of security system costs, moving expenses, shelter costs, future lost income, counseling costs, attorney fees and much more, is part of our daily work.

 **OREGON:** Through training on **restitution** and supporting the ongoing efforts of prosecution in a human trafficking case, NCVLI helped secure an order of nearly \$55,000 for a trafficking victim!

IMPACT

“ NCVLI's Conference . . . was a **life-changing** experience. . . It gave me connections and inspiration.”



“ Best webinar I have ever attended. **Engaging, extremely informative** and gave me a lot of the **answers** I have been asking myself over the past three years.”



“ Words cannot express how **deeply grateful** [we are] for your hard work. Your research and memo will help many of our clients. Thanks so much!”

“ We are so fortunate to have access to a **legal think tank** that can provide research, answer questions, and help us make the **best policy** choices for victims and survivors of crime.”



“ It was one of the **best trainings** I've ever attended. I learned so much that I can take into court with me.”

“ I can't tell you enough times how grateful I am for your **leadership** . . . and the work you all do. It is the difference between feeling totally alone in the ocean vs. knowing you have a **safe harbor** and defenders within reach.”



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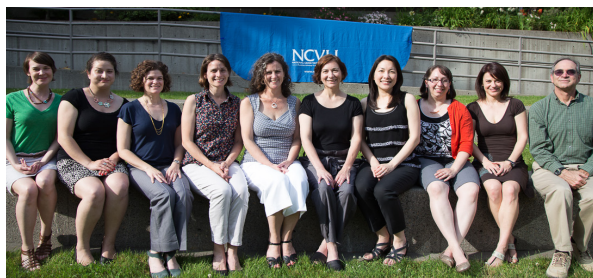
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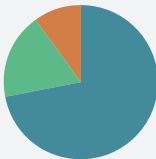
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