

# HUMAN TRAFFICKING PRO BONO PROJECT

Recognized as a leading law firm offering comprehensive legal services to survivors of human trafficking, Moore & Van Allen continues to meet the high demand to support victims of this crime. Common areas of service include expunction of criminal records, victim-witness advocacy, family law consultations, name changes, and assistance with credit repair and financial inclusion. The Project accepts referrals from community partners, federal and local law enforcement agencies, and national human trafficking partner organizations. All clients must be supported by a referring agency to be eligible for Project services.

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Moore & Van Allen also advises organizations on their response to human trafficking to ensure regulatory compliance, increased awareness, and social responsibility through the Human Trafficking Prevention & Compliance team.

For more information, please contact Sarah Byrne at [sarahbyrne@mvalaw.com](mailto:sarahbyrne@mvalaw.com).

## Direct Legal Representation

- Victim-witness advocacy
- Expunction analysis
- Immigration
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- Custody and parental rights
- Public benefits
- Name change petitions

Client service successes include working with prosecutors and law enforcement to ensure that victim witness rights are protected at all stages of the criminal process; expunging criminal records that pose obstacles to employment, housing and education; and asserting parental rights.

## Financial Inclusion

- Credit Repair
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- Survivor Inclusion Initiative referrals for banking products and services



### Referrals

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**Project Leaders** **Sarah Byrne**  
**Senior Counsel, Financial Regulatory Advice & Response** **Chris Thompson**  
**Member, Commercial Real Estate** **Sally Hentz**  
**Senior Corporate Paralegal**

### Collaborations

- National Survivor Law Collective
- Charlotte Triage Pro Bono Partnership

### Trainings

Project leaders regularly train law firms, pro bono lawyers and governmental, academic, and community organizations about human trafficking and survivor legal needs.

### Client Testimonials

*"You will never truly know what you have done for me. You have helped in my freedom. You stepped up when everyone stepped down."* - Project Client

*"MVA proved a community that values the importance of the individual . . . we found in you great friends."* - Project Client

### Project Resources & Materials

- MVA Human Trafficking Pro Bono Project Flyer
- Legal Desert Report: Accessing Legal Services for Survivors of Sex Trafficking
- Survivor Speak: Insight into How COVID-19 is Impacting the Legal Needs of Human Trafficking Survivors
- A21 Flex Volunteer Program for Triage