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MPP Is Over: What Happens Now & How You Can Help

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Agenda

- Introductions
- Overview of MPP & current state of play
- Types of relief/work
- Practicalities of remote rep
- Life of a case: the volunteer perspective
- How you can help

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COVID-19 Updates

The COVID-19 pandemic is having profound impacts on the immigration detention system and the immigration courts. On this page you will find updates related to detention, release from detention, the operation of the immigration courts, and legal arguments related to COVID-19.

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Our model

- Joint project of AILA and American Immigration Council
- We partner with local nonprofit service providers around the country that refer cases to us
- We recruit, train, support and mentor pro bono attorneys on cases

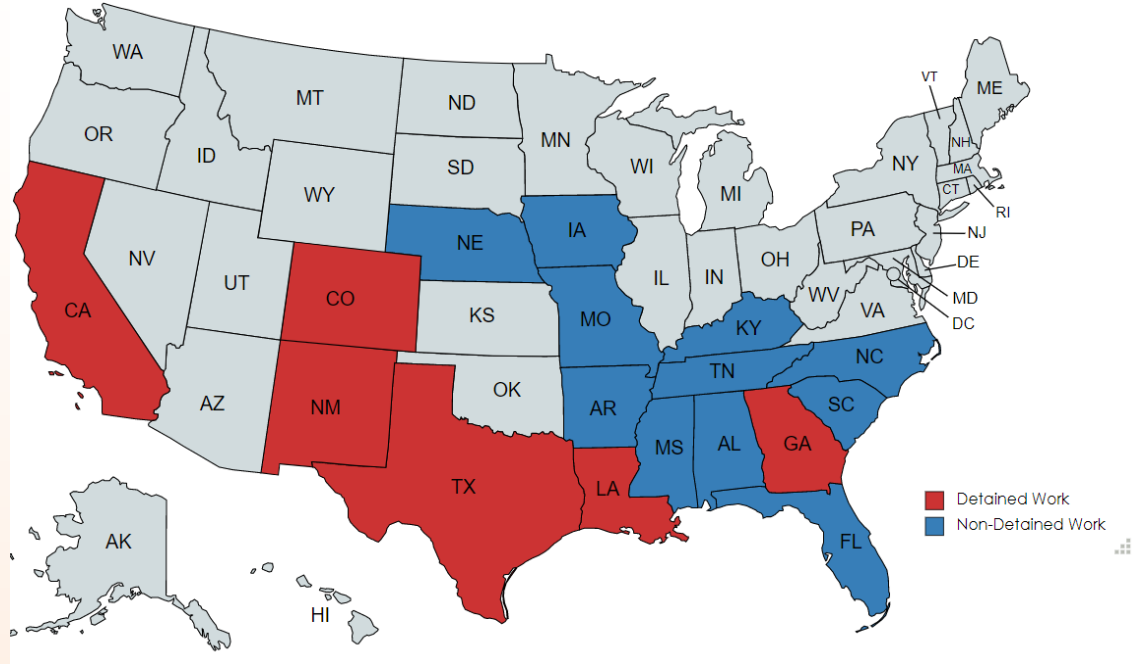
Where We Work

Detained Work

- San Diego, CA
- Denver, CO
- Georgia
- El Paso and Harlingen, TX
- Louisiana
- New Mexico

Non-detained work

- Arkansas (Memphis)
- Tennessee (Memphis)
- South Carolina (Charlotte)
- North Carolina (Charlotte)
- Kentucky (Memphis)
- Florida (Orlando)
- Alabama
- Louisiana
- Mississippi
- Arkansas
- Missouri
- Iowa
- Nebraska

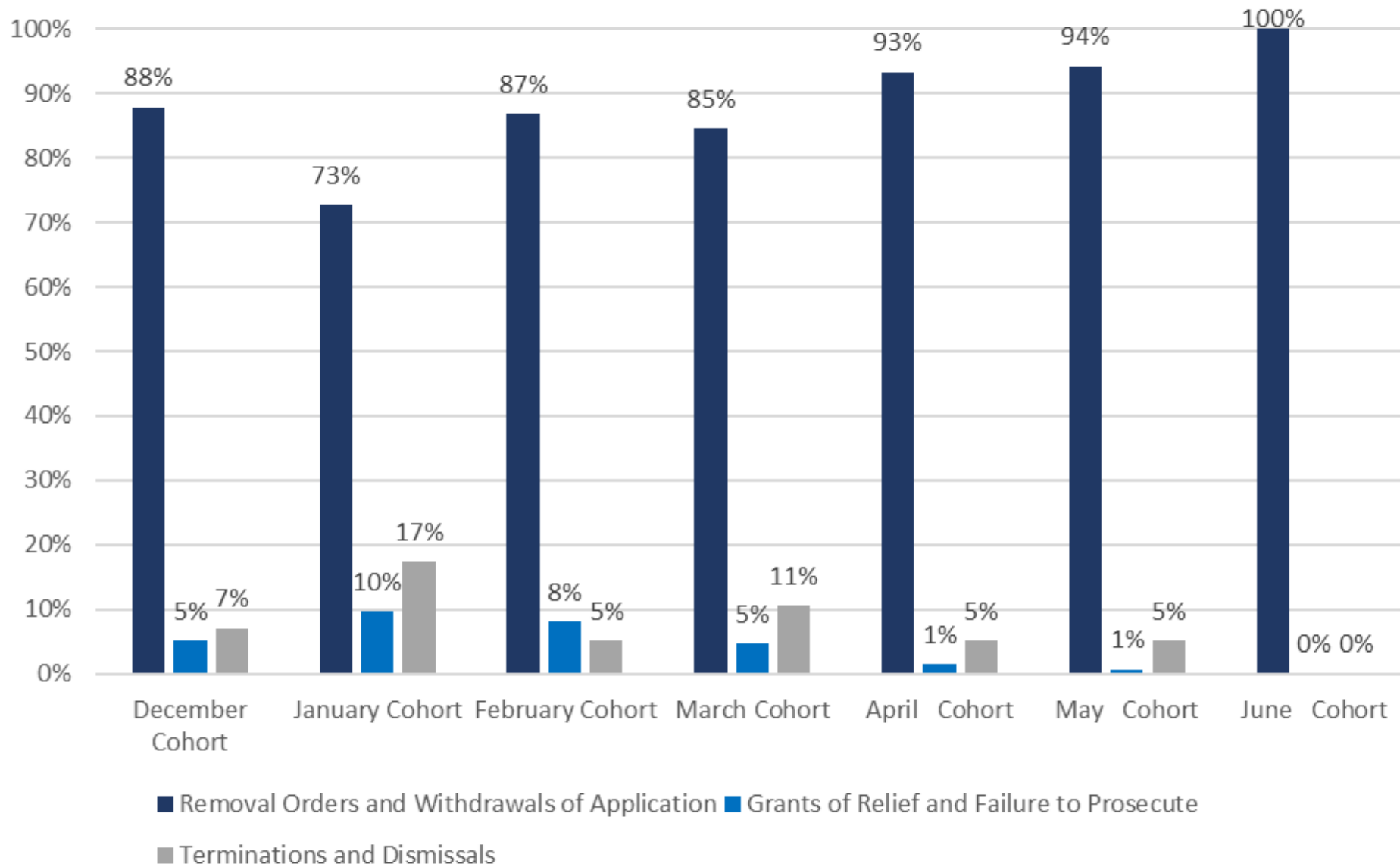


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Denver; Salt Lake City; Atlanta

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MPP & CURRENT STATE OF PLAY



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HOW WE HELP

Asylum

- Full representation - case preparation and representation in Immigration Court
- Limited representation - case preparation
- I-589 form preparation

Non-Asylum

- Work authorization applications
- Cuban Adjustment Act - special path to permanent residency for Cubans

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PRACTICALITIES OF REMOTE REPRESENTATION

Remote Representation

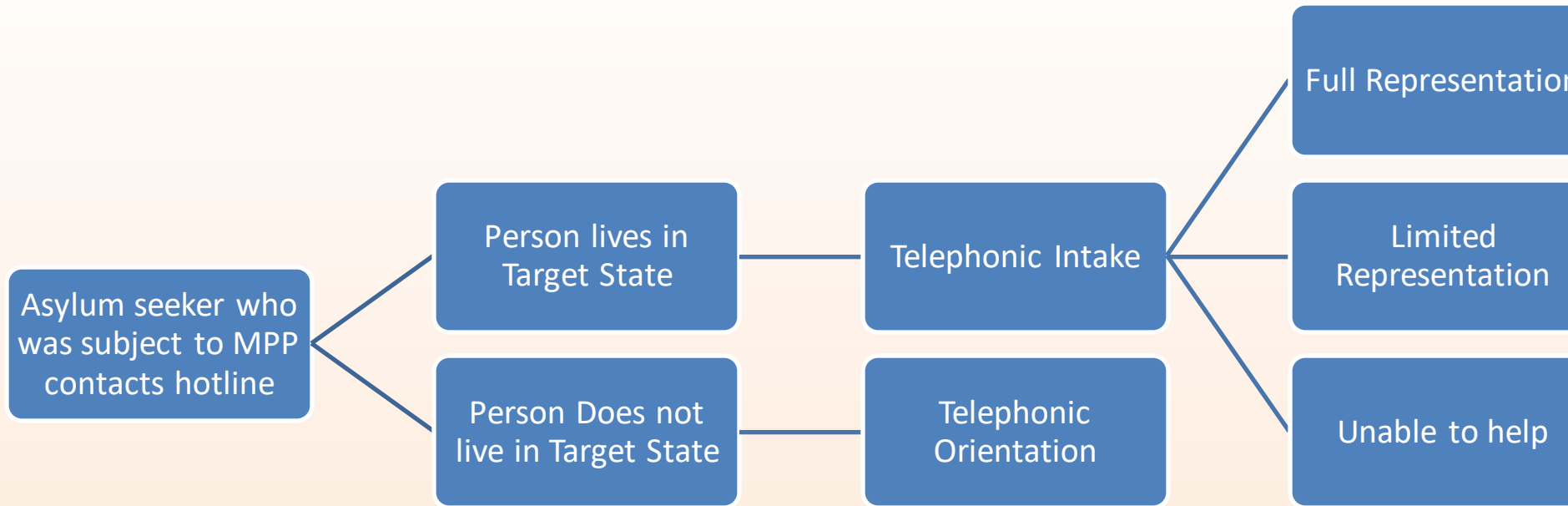
- Working with clients
- Interpreters
- Limited representation - no court or USCIS appearances required
- Immigration Court phone and WebEx appearances

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LIFE OF A CASE: THE VOLUNTEER PERSPECTIVE

Life of a Case



Volunteer Perspective

- Nancy
- Angela

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

Volunteer Opportunities

Telephonic orientations & Screenings

- Spanish speakers
- Portuguese speakers
- Guatemalan and other indigenous language speakers
- Do not have to be an attorney

Full and limited Representation

- Attorney
- Paired with an attorney
- Do not have to speak the language

How do I volunteer?

- Two step process:
 1. Sign up on our [website](#)
 2. Fill out a [volunteer application](#) and choose “MPP”
- Get trained!

Clients in Need of Representation

- Ms. YRE, Mr. ARP, Mr. ARR, Mr. IARR, and Mr. IDRR are a family of two parents and their three children from Honduras. They are seeking asylum because a major transnational gang has been attempting to kill Mr. ARP and harassing the family for years since Mr. ARP refused to pay a protection fee to them. Ms. YRE's brother and a friend were killed in an attack targeting Mr. ARP. The family has moved twice to different places in Honduras, but the gang continued to find and threaten them. Ms. YRE has an older son who came with their family to the US but was deported back to Honduras. The family was previously in the Migrant Protection Protocols and are now living in South Carolina; their case is venued out of Charlotte. Ms. YRE, Mr. ARP, Mr. ARR, Mr. IARR, and Mr. IDRR seek pro bono representation for their asylum claim.
- Mr. LGT and Ms. ECG are a husband and wife from Cuba. They are seeking asylum because Mr. LGT was threatened by the police for speaking out about his political opinions. They were formerly in MPP and were ordered removed in absentia because they were kidnapped in Mexico and missed a hearing date. They are now living in the US in Florida with their infant US citizen daughter; their case is venued out of Harlingen. Mr. LGT and Ms. ECG seek pro bono representation for a motion to reopen their case.

Questions?

- Please reach out to probonocoordinator@immcouncil.org