



## Insights

# Legal Aid Chicago Recognizes Chapman's R. Amani Smathers for Criminal Record Expungement App

**Recognition**  
**April 2021**

R. Amani Smathers, a senior analyst on Chapman's Practice Innovations team, was recognized by Legal Aid Chicago as the "Volunteer of the Year" from Legal Aid Chicago's Criminal Records Relief Project. Amani managed the development of an app to help Legal Aid Chicago staff attorneys and pro bono volunteers expand access to criminal record expungement services for people impacted by the criminal justice system in Cook County, Illinois. Amani was honored at the virtual Legal Aid Chicago Spring Social on April 16.