



## **BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT OF LESA M. CURVEY**

Lesa M. Curvey joined Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada in 2018. As a staff attorney in the Family Justice Project, Ms. Curvey continues to advocate against domestic violence on behalf of abuse victims and survivors in family law matters. Ms. Curvey served through Legal Aid Center as a Legal Information Facilitator at the Family Law Self-Help Center. She was an integral part of the transition from the county-run Family Intervention Program to integrating and implementing the temporary protection order office practices into Self-Help Center operations.

Ms. Curvey has a passion for advocacy. Her decision to practice law ignited while volunteering as a Court Support Advocate with the domestic crisis center, SafeNest, in Las Vegas, Nevada, and later as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), where she advocated for children in the foster care system in Seattle, Washington. Ms. Curvey served as a member of the Education Committee with the National Association for the Advancement of Color People (NAACP) and participated in My Brother's Keeper planning meetings. In law school, Ms. Curvey fulfilled several fellowship positions assisting litigants navigating the domestic violence, family, and guardianship court systems in Nevada and California. As a student attorney with the Thomas and Mack Education Clinic, Ms. Curvey assisted students in protecting their rights under the Individualized Education Program Act (IDEA).

Ms. Curvey also served as a Video Production Specialist and produced motion picture films, television commercials, and music videos broadcasted nationally before and immediately following law school.

Ms. Curvey graduated from Whittier Law School in Costa Mesa, California, in 2018 after completing her third year as a visiting scholar at Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Ms. Curvey earned her undergraduate degree from Clark Atlanta University in 1998 with a degree in Mass Media Arts, Radio, Television, and Film, specializing in film.

When not working, Ms. Curvey enjoys time with her son, traveling, camping, hiking, "foodie" experiences, and staying connected with family and friends.