Tremendous human rights abuses confront our world today. The numbers of the oppressed, enslaved, abused, and trafficked are staggering—and no nation is immune.

Right now, over 40 million human beings are held as slaves—more than at any other time in history.

During the last quarter-century in Uganda, corruption and a lack of the rule of law enabled the abduction of over 30,000 children who were forced to become child soldiers.

Millions of Christians are persecuted throughout the Middle East, Northern Africa, and Eastern Asia for their faith.

An estimated 140 million children worldwide live alone, without parental care, on major urban thoroughfares and dark byways.

Regent University School of Law’s Center for Global Justice (CGJ) combats these abuses at home and abroad, advancing the rule of law, protecting children, safeguarding religious freedoms internationally, and combating human trafficking. We train law students to fulfill their callings as advocates for justice and support advocates already in the field.

“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.”

Proverbs 31:8-9 (NIV)
Get Involved

GIVE
The CGJ needs financial resources to fund internships, fellowships, the clinic, and scholarships, increase course offerings and support outreach initiatives. Make your donation online at regent.edu/globaljustice.

PARTNER
If you are an advocate for the oppressed, we invite you to connect with us. Please consider receiving and mentoring Regent interns, and let us know how we can best serve you and further your work.

PRAY
Please pray for the CGJ’s students, staff, and the organizations we support, that God would empower us to make a difference.

What We Do

ACADEMICS, SCHOLARSHIP, & HANDS-ON TRAINING

Classroom and experiential courses at Regent Law include Human Trafficking, International & Comparative Human Rights, International Criminal Law, International Development & the Rule of Law, NGO Creation & Management, Child Advocacy Practicum, and Immigration Practicum. These courses can be applied to the J.D., LL.M. in Human Rights, or M.A. in Law (Human Rights).

Student staff members serve as volunteers for legal projects, including writing legal memoranda, drafting amicus briefs, and conducting research projects. The legal projects involve the rule of law, human trafficking, the protection of children, and religious freedom abroad. Each project is conducted on behalf of legal organizations working in the field.

The Regent Journal of Global Justice & Public Policy and Regent Law faculty members advance the rule of law and promote a biblical view of human rights through academic scholarship.

Sponsor special events, including conferences for Christian lawyers, continuing legal education programs, and more.

INTERNSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

Internship grants provide students with funded summer internships to work with legal organizations around the globe. Since its inception, the CGJ has sponsored interns to serve in 68 organizations in 14 states and 20 countries.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING CLINIC

In 2023, the Center launched a clinic to offer free legal representation to human trafficking survivors who have criminal records. Many survivors are coerced by their traffickers to engage in criminal activity, which can result in lengthy criminal records. These records create huge obstacles to obtaining employment, custody, housing, and other resources. Thanks in part to the advocacy of the Center, Virginia law now allows trafficking victims to vacate (or expunge) certain charges from their record. We represent survivors in these legal proceedings and train students while we do this critical work.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

The CGJ sends Regent Law professors around the world to provide training in the basic principles of law and justice. Our professors regularly travel to Ukraine, South Korea, and Africa to teach about human rights, the rule of law, and the Christian worldview.

The East Africa Initiative is a unique opportunity for the CGJ to focus some of its internship resources on this region, including the International Justice Mission, Kyampisi Childcare Ministries, and the Uganda Supreme Court. Through this initiative, the CGJ sends Regent Law professors to East Africa to provide legal training to law professors and attorneys.

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“The Center for Global Justice is making a meaningful difference in nations and the lives of individuals facing abuse, persecution, and slavery around the globe.”

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