Volunteer Attorney: Nidhi Kashyap

Attorney Nidhi Kashyap grew up in Madison, Wisconsin. She attended college, as well as law school, at the University of Wisconsin. Nidhi applied to a few other law schools as she was torn between staying in Madison and going out east, and ultimately chose to attend UW because of its commitment to diversity through the LEO program and because the wide array of clinical opportunities.

Nidhi has worked for Milwaukee County Child Support Services for five years where she represents the State of Wisconsin in a variety of family court matters including divorces, paternities, and post-judgment motions. The nature of her job means that she is often appearing on several cases that are all scheduled at the same time, which requires her to refer people to other court staff.

Nidhi became involved with the MVLC through a co-worker who had been volunteering. She reports that Child Support Services has been extremely supportive of her volunteering because so many of its case participants are pro se and truly benefit from the services provided by the MVLC. Nidhi’s favorite site to volunteer at is the UCC and her favorite part about volunteering is having enough time to hear peoples’ whole stories.

Nidhi’s advice to young attorneys is to try to craft creative solutions and answers to problems, rather than always relying on the old way of doing things. The old way isn’t always the best way and it’s important that young attorneys grasp this as they enter the field of law.