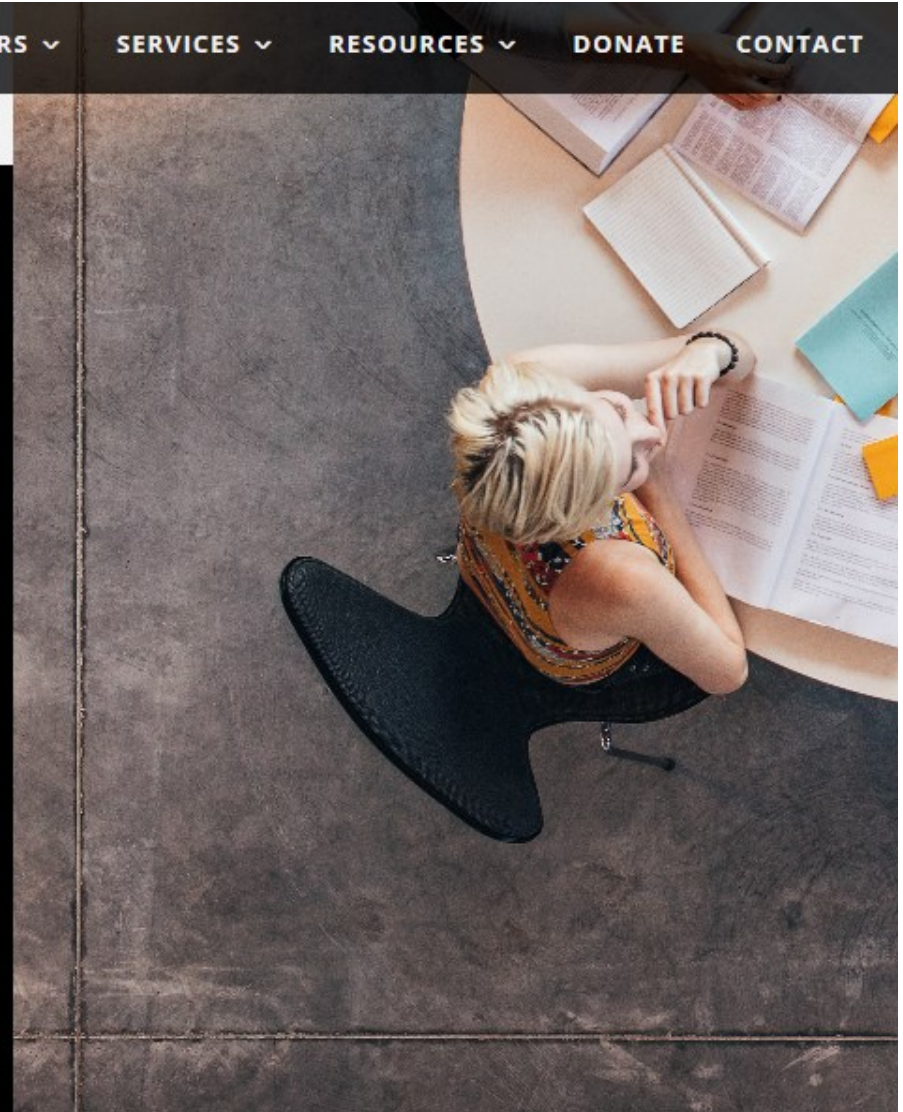


## CLASSROOM TEACHING

Through Mitchell Hamline School of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota, Zero Abuse Project offers classes for law students in the field of child protection and abuse. Conducted in a law school setting courses are focused on all areas of child sex abuse, including civil litigation and prosecution of sexual crimes. There will also be a child advocacy clinic where future professionals can get front-line experience working with child sexual abuse survivors. This curriculum is to create more informed advocates across the country to advance the mission of **ZAP**.



## IMPACT LITIGATION

The practice of bringing lawsuits to create societal change is called impact litigation, also known as strategic litigation. Such litigation is often in the form of a class action lawsuit or an individual claim with broader significance, and may rely on statutory law arguments or constitutional claims. Impact litigation has been used successfully to influence public policy by civil rights groups such as NAACP, ACLU, and by Morris Dees at the Southern Poverty Law Center. We align with volunteer attorneys, law students and clinic faculty as change agents to transform the legal process. The goal of **ZAP** is to make substantial positive changes in the child abuse protection and prevention system through impact litigation.

