

Survivor Voices of Human Trafficking
Biography
Amber Causey Bio

Amber Causey is a survivor of domestic minor sex trafficking. After escaping trafficking, she earned her GED and joined the U.S. Army where she served for eight years, including with the 2nd Battalion of the 44th Air Defense Artillery Regiment in Iraq. She attended law school on an Academic Scholarship at Mitchell Hamline School of Law where she received recognition for her advanced writing topic *on Reconsidering the Feres Doctrine: The test of “Incident to Service” against The Crisis of Sexual Violence in the Military*. Currently she is an Assistant State Public Defender serving with the Waterloo Adult Public Defender’s Office. Recently she received the Melanie Thwing-Eastman Young Attorney of the Year award. Her philosophy in practice is that the “why” matters. People’s stories matter. She does her best to be the best author of her clients’ stories. Her hope is to one day become a Judge within the Juvenile Court system where it all started; Cook County. She entered the criminal justice system first as a child of two incarcerated parents, and later as a juvenile facing her own criminal proceedings. She says that she is proof that even second, third, and fourth chances can make a difference. She has appeared on various media outlets to raise awareness on sex trafficking. As a survivor, she is deeply passionate about combating sex trafficking in our communities. She has worked with numerous organizations that focus on targeting at-risk youth in combatting this issue. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her two children, Aaliyah and Armoni, teaching group fitness classes, and going for a ride on her Peloton.