



Summer Law Internship Alexys Aquino, Political Science, 2023

Professional
Development

SUMMARY

During the Summer of 2019, I worked as an intern at Wisener Nunnally Roth, LLP. This is a small law firm that practices a variety of law. I interned with them for a total 6 weeks, during which I completed one long term project where I sorted closed files and reached out to clients. In addition to this, I worked on various legal documents covering multiple areas of law. I also had the opportunity to go to court with one of the lawyers over a custodial case. The goal of the internship was to gain real life knowledge and experience of what practicing law looks like daily, including the amount of preparation done for each case. I can say that within the six-week span of my internship I learned so much about the innerworkings of a law firm and of various aspects of the legal field.



SPICES

Through my experience I learned about probate law, contract law and family law in a hands- on capacity. I worked on legal documents with supervision; I got insight on pre-trial procedures. I left the internship with new skills and knowledge in the field of law.

HERBS

Resilience was key to my internship. I would often make errors and I became discouraged. I quickly learned that I needed to learn from my mistakes and move on in order to succeed.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

In navigating a field and environment that I was entirely unfamiliar with, I made plenty of errors. I learned Adaptability and Resilience in the basic sense of working in a professional office environment as well as learning from my mistakes. I also learned the power of Communicating Effectively in a professional setting and in a legal manner. I learned the extent to which legal documents are written differently from professional writing used in most workplaces.

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ROTH
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IMPACT

Through my work I impacted the lawyers at the office directly by writing letters to clients and sorting closed files. In an indirect manner I know I also impacted the clients whose cases I dealt with in one way or another. These individuals are all members of a collective community that I in some way impacted. The impact this opportunity had on me was the exposure I had to real professionals in the legal system. In seeing these lawyers in their element it reassured me of my passion to pursue a career in law.

ADVICE

The most valuable advice I can give to another student with a similar interest is to ask questions! There was so much I learned through questions that I wouldn't have learned otherwise.