

## ***“Time Flies...” is a Cliché for a Reason***

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“Time flies when you’re having fun” has never rang more true. I am in complete disbelief at how fast these weeks are flying by. Week two was our first five-day work week, but I swear it didn’t last for more than a second.

As the days go on I am beginning to realize how easily one can become overwhelmed in the practice of law. Time management and my calendar are my two best friends. I recommend to any and all people to befriend them as well. For me, Monday started with nothing on my calendar...but that didn’t last long. Within minutes I had a meeting scheduled and by the end of the day I had three more assignments on my desk.

On Tuesday, the summer associates attended a deposition seminar put on by Orlando partner Darryl Gavin. This past semester at school, I was unable to secure a spot in our deposition strategies course, so I was particularly excited and grateful for this workshop. As a fair estimate, Darryl has taken nearly 1,000 depositions! It was an honor being educated in his tricks of the trade. The deposition seminar was given to us in preparation for our first practical assignment: taking a deposition.

The deposition took place Thursday morning and I was the first to perform. If you couldn’t tell, I made it out alive and well! What I thought would be a nerve-wracking and slightly stressful experience, turned out to be wonderfully pleasant. That’s probably because this deposition was limited to 20 minutes as opposed to the nightmarish tales I’ve heard of depositions that turn from hours into days.

However, Thursday was the day that I really was able to display my talents...we went to Top Golf! I successfully showed everyone what it looks like to stylishly swing and miss. At one point I somehow managed to be in first place. I attribute this to the fact that I hit all of my golf balls before others did, but you better believe I made sure to get photo evidence of that split second! It was great having time out of the office to hang out with my mentor, Michaela Kirn, and the other associates and partners that came along.

Friday was a long one. I got in to the office around 7:00 am and I didn’t leave until 7:00 pm. Deadlines are called deadlines for a reason! Ironically, as I was drafting a motion to dismiss, we had a seminar on motion practice. Dan Gerber, another partner in the Orlando office, led the seminar. Yet another seasoned attorney gracious enough to privy us summer associates to his practical wisdom. RumbergerKirk has been more than generous with the learning materials they have provided us. It is evident how much they want us to succeed. Next week, we get to argue our motions against each other. Bring it on!