

I'm so Ready for the Writing Competition

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Week 6 was the week we became experts on experts. We received our writing competition prompt, and it is a *Daubert* motion to exclude an expert witness. I love a little friendly competition, so I am excited to take this on. I learned about the *Daubert* test when I took evidence in the Spring semester right before I started as a Summer Associate at RumbergerKirk. In my opinion, it was the most difficult concept in the whole evidence class. I think I was confused by it because the *Daubert* factors are all related and sort of intertwine with one another. However, researching it and seeing how it works out in real cases has helped me understand it a little better. I have already written two *Daubert* motions, so I hope the one I write for the competition is solid and does not reflect my difficulty of understanding the *Daubert* standard.

I plan to incorporate some feedback I received last week from both Meredith and Joleen into my writing competition paper. Last week, both of them took the time to talk with me and provide me with feedback on some writing assignments I submitted to them. They both also gave me some general advice on how to write a convincing legal argument. I really appreciated them doing this, and I know it will help me with future assignments and the writing competition. This is all one giant learning experience, but I feel as if the writing competition is a great chance to showcase our skills and what we already know. Hopefully, I can combine all I've learned from law school and all the advice I've been given here and draft up a solid *Daubert* motion and impress the writing competition judges. Stay tuned to see how it goes.