

## Shorter Week, but not Short on Assignments

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Week six might have been one day shorter than the usual, however, that does not mean that there was any less work to do! On Tuesday, partner Steve Klein presented the summer associates with the prompt for the 2021 Summer Associate Writing Competition. We have to draft a *Daubert* motion to exclude the Plaintiff's expert. This assignment is definitely more on the complex side of the spectrum as it focuses on technical automobile terms and knowledge (something I am not entirely well-versed in). Although it is complex, I am enjoying the challenge. What is neat is that once we are through with the competition I will be able to say that I know more about the inner workings of a Toyota Prius than most attorneys. What a great way to obtain a new "fun fact" for the ice breakers that will inevitably occur when school starts back up again in the fall.

In addition to the writing competition and assignments I was already working on, I received two more assignments; one from Steve and one from partner Charlie Mitchell. I am thrilled to be working with both Steve and Charlie on these unique cases. Steve's case presents a very interesting set of facts and Charlie's is a class action! It's exciting that six weeks in I am still getting assignments on subject matter that I have not yet dabbled in. RumbergerKirk excels in ensuring that us summer associates receive diverse assignments and continue learning new legal concepts.

While it was nice to have a "three-day weekend," this turned out to be a bit of an illusion. During the weekend, following week six, I ended up coming in to the office to ensure that I was where I needed to be in order to complete my assignments in a timely and orderly manner. I think it's important to note that I came in to work on the weekend because I wanted to, not because I had to. And that is what makes all of the difference here at RumbergerKirk. I work because I want to. I work because it makes me happy. I haven't dreaded a single thing since I started at RumbergerKirk on June first and I am confident that that feeling will remain throughout our final four weeks. I can't wait to see what week seven has to offer.