

Objection! Your Honor, Permission to Extend the Summer Associate Program

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With what feels like a blur, the Summer Associate Program at RumbergerKirk has all but come to an end. However, the summer definitely ended with a bang, err, rather gavel.

This week brought the Mock Trial Competition. And with it came an abundance of time spent planning, preparing, and practicing. I was meeting three times a week with my partner Julie Potts practicing for the upcoming trial. We made sure that we were ready and I must say that we absolutely crushed the trial!

We flipped coins for the rounds and we represented the defense for the first trial. Although I was nervous, to say the least, I ended up not only having a blast but also putting on quite the case! What made it even more realistic was the fact that each witness had their own style and demeanor. From a southern sergeant to a sobbing friend, the trial had all sorts of twists and turns that made for a wild ride!

After we completed our trial, we were lucky enough to hear constructive feedback from the judges of the competition. I will never fail to appreciate advice from seasoned litigators, especially advice that was tailored towards my own performance. Overall, the trial was a success and I cannot thank RumbergerKirk enough for the experience they have provided us over this summer. Shout out to Meghan Kennedy for receiving best advocate and Adam Poe and Harris Blum for best team.

This summer flew by as I was given an opportunity to work on real cases, practice drafting motions, listen to hearings...the list goes on. The ability to obtain exposure to so many different areas of the law has really given me such a unique opportunity insofar as it has granted me insight into the areas which I feel most passionate about and helped me focus my career as an aspiring lawyer. I am grateful for the opportunity and I cannot wait to take that knowledge with me as I head into my last year of law school.

Thank you to all the attorneys who have helped make this summer a success.