

## ***Week Three- A Visit to the Orlando Aviation Authority & Motion Practice***

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This week, partner Dan Gerber invited us to an Orlando Aviation Authority board meeting. My first assignment was a GOAA project, so it was a special treat to get to see a Sunshine meeting in person. Before the meeting began, we learned a little bit about how the board likes to run meetings as well as a bit about what happens once a meeting concludes.

We spent a lot of time with Dan this week, as him and partner Samantha Duke led the motion practice seminar. The seminar centered around how to quickly get your point across and ask for the relief your client wants in a clean, concise way. Currently, I am mid-preparation for the motion practice workshop, where we argue our client's position against another summer associate. There is a closed universe of cases and limited facts, so I have been developing a creative argument.

Partner Frank Sheppard delivered the 'state of the firm' address this week during the Associate College lunch. Being an attorney may be a profession, but running a law firm is certainly a business and Frank delivered a lot of information about how that business works.

This week was a bit quieter than the previous weeks, but I appreciate that because it served as a good feel for what a full-time associate likely experiences week to week. Still, there was time for conversation and cheese fries with Judge Gibson, which was a delightful experience. With week three in the history books, I have some new assignments to bring me into next week which looks absolutely jam-packed.