

## ***Week Eight-Another Eventful Week From Depositions to Mock Trial Prep***

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Unfortunately Week eight was cut short for me because I was sick on Thursday and Friday. But that didn't stop my week from being eventful!

Our Daubert motion writing assignment was due on Monday night so I started the weekend/week off strong working on my motion. It was a difficult task, but I learned a lot and was very proud of my finished product.

Tuesday was extremely exciting. I got to attend two depositions with partner Steve Klein in Ocala. The depositions took up the entirety of the day, but it was worth it to see Steve in action and learn about the strategies he uses when taking depositions. The deponents were very interesting and watching Steve navigate his way through his questions and the case's story was a fantastic learning experience that I won't soon forget.

Finally, on Wednesday it was my turn to give my case presentation during the attorney luncheon. I was very nervous, but managed to get through it with minimal hiccups. It has been very helpful having so many opportunities to practice public speaking this summer. Hopefully at some point my nerves will abate, but this summer has been a great start.

Mock trial preparation is underway as well! I cannot wait to get up there with my partner, associate Samendio Mathieu, and give it our best shot. On to week nine!