

As a first-year, I quickly learned that the law is constantly changing, similar to life. An individual's path and obstacles in life can create various futures. Depending on the facts of a case, the law can be construed and applied in numerous ways. The dreams and ambitions an individual has reflects their outlook on life. The law reflects the justices of the Supreme Court that interpret them. Life is about so much more than our own individual aspirations; it's about ensuring that others too are given the same opportunity to pursue theirs. The law is far more than formalistic rules; it's about guaranteeing the rights and justice for all it governs. The fascinating aspect of life and the law is that they are created and defined by the changing culture and environment.

My ambition to succeed and eagerness to gain knowledge has taught me through hard work, the possibilities in life are endless. I acquired a lifestyle of discipline, an appreciation for interpretation, and a desire to experience and prosper in the practice of law. While I was born and raised in Central Illinois, my desire to practice within the region surpasses my geographical preferences. In just the short time during my summer clerkship in Bloomington, I was able to build upon my foundation in the study of law and realized that the community is comprised of ambitious individuals willing to listen, learn, and challenge one another.

I am eager to enhance my perspective as I expand upon my legal education and I believe my ties to the community will allow me to resonate with future clients. Furthermore, Illinois' rigorous academics challenged and offered me endless opportunities to succeed. I have taken full advantage of my opportunities and it is this same perseverance I will take with me in establishing my career in Central Illinois. My unique background as an Illinois Business Consultant will allow me to approach each future matter from both a legal and business perspective to provide the best services I can to a community in which I am so thankful to be a part of. This community has allowed me to succeed in every way possible the past twenty-five years and I am eager to give back to a community that has provided me with so much.