

My career aspiration is to become a family attorney. Since this is my aspiration, I was placed at The Middleton Law Firm working under attorney LaFonda Middleton. Atty. Middleton assisted me in learning the ins and outs of personal injury law. She is very good at what she does, and I am very fortunate to have had her as my mentor.

During my internship experience I learned so many things related to the world of law. I was able to sit in

on hearings and participate in client meetings, some of which were very interesting to listen to. Since The Middleton Law Firm specializes in personal injury, I learned how to send formal letters and request records from insurance companies, medical specialists, and clients themselves. One of the biggest things that I learned was what I like to call "lawyer lingo". I had always wondered what the vocabulary that attorneys use exactly meant and after working in a firm I was able to learn what different things mean and what different systems and procedures needed to be done in certain situations. During my time with Atty. Middleton, I helped reorganize every client file with a new and more organized filing system which would make it easier for things to be found in the future. This experience really helped me understand how much work goes into cases before you get to the courtroom. Though it can be taxing at times, it is rewarding knowing you're helping someone in a sense, get their life back together.

Participating in the 2022 summer internship program was instrumental in preparing for my future success because it led me to working with an established lawyer and experiencing firsthand the work that it takes to practice law. This helped me determine that I do plan on pursuing law in the future. After having in-depth conversations with people who have proven to be successful in the field of law, I know what steps to take to ensure my success in this career field as well.