

CLJ Career Connection

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A Typical Day

A typical day for me was transporting clients to and from school, as well as attending any medical appointments and court appointments. I was also given the opportunity to supervise visits between clients and their family members.

The Most Important Things I learned in the Field

One very important lesson I learned was that cases and files are more than words and legal jargon. There are people behind these files that need people to get to know them before making any decisions.

I was able to find my voice when implementing rules to residents at the group home. Personally, I became more acquainted with a structured setting in which a routine is the norm.

I have a much clearer understanding of the corrections aspect of the criminal justice system and the process needed in order to get

a juvenile back on track and doing things to become a success.

Before the internship, I simply knew that I wanted to work with families. Now that I have had the ability to work with teens, I am leaning more towards a career in juvenile advocacy.

My Advice to Future Students

My main advice for anyone trying to obtain an internship through this company is to always ask questions. There are many rules and regulations that must be adhered to by clients and staff and knowledge of these terms make life a bit easier for everyone.

The Highlight of my Experience

I was allowed to accompany a resident to court for their progress hearing. It was a short but memorable experience as the client's attorney and case supervisor spoke on their improvements since being put into placement.

This event as well as others helped me realize that my aspirations of working in the law field working with families and juveniles will be a perfect fit.