

## My Summer Associate Experience: Sydney Q. Moran

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Our 2024 Summer Associate Program brought 13 law students from five law schools to the firm for an intellectually challenging and professionally gratifying experience. The students took part in firm-sponsored social events and community service projects throughout the summer in addition to attending client meetings, depositions, court hearings and other proceedings. Nearing the end of the program, the students agreed to share a few highlights from their summer at Shutts.

Sydney Q. Moran joined Shutts' Jacksonville office for the summer from the University of Florida Levin College of Law. Sydney member of the Real Estate Law Association, Environmental Land Use Law Society and the Association of Law and Business.

Sydney shares her thoughts on her summer experience at Shutts.

### **What is something new that you learned during the summer program?**

During the summer program, I learned how important collaboration is between attorneys and staff. It is crucial to have a strong team to lean on when issues present themselves.

### **If you could go back to the first day of the summer program and give yourself a piece of advice, what would it be?**

Be confident in your abilities and ask questions! It may seem intimidating, but the attorneys want to help you learn.

### **What advice would you give to someone about to start the OCI process?**

When navigating the OCI process, be authentic to who you are and your interests. The goal is to work with these attorneys for a long time, so you want to be yourself and find the work interesting. In addition, I recommend asking questions and taking note of what kind of culture the firm has.

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