

Q&A with Rebecca Hooker

1. What were your expectations coming into the placement?

I expected to gain practical insight into the day-to-day workings of a law firm, develop a better understanding of legal procedures, and build foundational skills that would prepare me for a future legal career.

2. What did you enjoy most about your experience here?

I enjoyed the opportunity to work closely with experienced legal professionals and be involved in real cases, which helped me see how theory is applied in practice. The collaborative environment and variety of tasks made the experience engaging and rewarding.

3. What new skills or knowledge did you gain during your time with us?

I developed strong legal research and document drafting skills, learned how to manage case files efficiently, and gained a deeper understanding of client communication and court procedures. I also improved my time management and organisational abilities.

4. Were there any tasks or projects that you found particularly challenging or rewarding?

Preparing legal documents and assisting with case management was challenging due to the attention to detail required. However, it was also very rewarding to see how these tasks contributed directly to supporting the legal team and progressing cases.

5. How did you find the support and guidance from the team?

The team was very supportive, approachable, and willing to share their knowledge. Their guidance helped me feel confident taking on new tasks and asking questions when I needed clarification.

6. What stood out to you about the firm's culture or work environment?

The firm's culture is professional yet welcoming, with a strong emphasis on teamwork and continuous learning. I appreciated the open communication and the encouragement to take initiative.



7. What advice would you give to others thinking about a legal career or applying for work experience?

I would advise others to be proactive, ask questions, and be open to learning from every experience. Gaining practical exposure early on is invaluable, and showing enthusiasm and reliability can make a strong impression.