

## Weekly Report 11

10/29 - 11/4

### Almost Research Presentation

This week provided time to go over all the work that has been done so far and get prepared for the upcoming weeks. One goal for this week was to obtain another interview which is planned for Monday of the upcoming week. This interview is especially exciting because it is the first interview with a criminal lawyer. While talking to another type of lawyer and a misdemeanor judge were incredibly informative, a criminal lawyer can provide specific insight that is applicable to a career as a criminal attorney. In addition, this interview will hopefully help discern between prosecution and defense attorneys and the different expectations of each job.

Considering this week did not have any specific work that needed to be completed, it was used for perfecting past work that had been completed and preparing for the research presentation for next week. This extra time also allowed for extra work to be done on the original work project. As more of the original work is completed, it is easier to see the direction it is beginning to take which is very exciting. Finding new topics to write about remains the most difficult part of the original work project as many topics do not have a story to write about. Furthermore, finding unique perspectives to take that have not already been explored is another difficult aspect of the project. Nonetheless, writing these articles has been not only incredibly enjoyable, but has helped enhance my knowledge of the law.

My goals for this upcoming week are to gain more knowledge related to criminal law, specifically about the responsibilities of prosecution attorneys, add more to my original work, and sufficiently prepare for the research presentation. The research presentation will provide a good challenge as it will be the longest presentation I have ever given. Public speaking has never been a particularly strong suit of mine, but the increased opportunity that ISM has provided to interact with professions has helped my public speaking abilities. The research presentation will be a good indicator of how much my public speaking has improved since starting ISM. Additionally, my ACL surgery on Tuesday will provide ample time to work on new articles for my original work.