

# Summer Clerk Testimonials

by Naomi Cooper

## 1. What did you enjoy most about your experience?

The clerkship experience was an excellent opportunity to work in a firm and gain an understanding of what life as a graduate lawyer will look like. I enjoyed the opportunity to conduct meaningful legal work such as research and drafting, and the trust that the legal staff placed in me by giving me such an experience.

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## 2. What did you learn during the clerkship?

A significant component of the clerkship was training from the legal staff, in particular with respect to how to conduct legal research and legal writing. As clerks, we were given numerous opportunities to practice these skills and received feedback from the staff on how we could improve. These skills have been incredibly useful in continuing as a paralegal this year.

## 3. What made you decide to clerk at Harmers?

Harmers has a very people-oriented culture, which seeks to provide quality legal work while also training and nurturing the individual employee. This culture makes Harmers the perfect place to clerk, as it provides an excellent setting for a young lawyer to start their career while receiving the support and experience that they need.

## 4. Why employment law?

I didn't know much about employment law before I began at Harmers. Throughout my time as a clerk and now paralegal, I have come to appreciate the diversity offered within the area of employment law, both in the substance of the matters and the range of clients the firm works with. Given the prominence of work in adult life, employment law is an essential area of law in protecting individuals and ensuring that employment relationship can function efficiently and effectively.

## 5. What best describes your experiences as a Summer Clerk at Harmers?

Clerking at Harmers was a great time of learning, however it was also a lot of fun. The staff at Harmers are a wonderful group of people; we were able to form strong relationships with our colleagues and enjoy the work that we do.

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