

## **LEARNING GOALS AND PLAN OF NICK SCHLOSS**

**AT: WAKE COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

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Goal 1: Learn the entirety of the criminal process for misdemeanor's & DWI's.

- Objective 1: Read recommended materials regarding procedure of a public defender case, particularly misdemeanors and DWIs.

- Objective 2: Observe various stages of the process, from first appearances through dismissals or pleas.

- Objective 3: Conduct and participate in various aspects of a case, from motions to dismiss through continuances or pleas.

  - Benchmark 1: Be able to identify what stage a particular case is at, and what the preceding and subsequent stages are.

  - Benchmark 2: Successfully obtain a prayer for continued judgment, a motion to remit costs, or another motion.

Goal 2: Develop and cultivate a network of attorneys in the field.

- Objective 1: Meet at least five attorneys in the office.

- Objective 2: Attend administrative meetings with my supervisor.

- Objective 3: Make a favorable impression upon those I meet.

  - Benchmark 1: Work, in some capacity, for multiple attorneys.

  - Benchmark 2: Ensure that at least two attorneys would be willing to write me a letter of recommendation.

  - Benchmark 3: Secure a summer internship/job at the office.

Goal 3: Develop fundamental skills necessary for criminal defense, such as: interpersonal skills with other attorneys and judges, courtroom etiquette and professionalism, attorney-client communications.

- Objective 1: Observe various court proceedings and takeaway (Do's and Don't's).

- Objective 2: Observe client interviews.

- Benchmark 1: Conduct my own client interview without (or minimal) assistance from supervisor.
- Benchmark 2: Obtain a favorable result for some proceeding without (or minimal) supervisor assistance.