

Tamara Sweeney, Esquire

Name: Tamara “Tam” Sweeney.

Descriptor: Criminal Defense Lawyer.



Quote:

“I always ask my clients, ‘Is that your story?’ The jury will decide if the story is true; it’s my job to make sure that they don’t convict out of rash emotion. It’s understandable—emotions run high in murder cases—but the courtroom is, and has always been, a place for disseminating fact from fiction, candor from emotion.”

Who is it?

Tamara is a 30-year-old criminal defense lawyer from Missouri, currently working at a small law firm in Arkansas. After obtaining her bachelor’s degree from Louisiana State University, she studied at the University of Arkansas School of Law to eventually pass the Arkansas state bar exam. She also plays water polo, and is extremely active in her community.

What attitude?

Tamara would use our site in order to find data relevant to the cases she is working on. She sees the site as a resource for gathering information about past cases relevant to the ones she is currently working on so that she can not only build a good case for her clients, but also utilize precedents where helpful in the courtroom.

Which behavior?

Tamara is a searcher with the goal of getting to the data needed as quickly and efficiently as possible. If a site doesn’t look like the information it presents will suit the needs of a case, Tam is relatively quick to leave and try a different site. She is also highly fact-oriented, so if she suspects data has been cherry-picked or tailored in any way, she will immediately seek a more neutral source. Ideally, the information found should also be understandable to clients without too much further explanation in order to facilitate greater understanding.