Member Spotlight

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Counsel
JP Morgan Chase & Co.
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Current position since: 2014
Years in-house: 2
Law School: Northern Illinois University College of Law
Undergrad: Clarke University, BA Business Administration – Finance; North Iowa Area
Community College

Best thing about my current job:

The opportunity to utilize both my undergraduate degree in finance and my law degree.

Most challenging thing about my current job:

Learning how to apply the laws and regulations applicable to the financial services industry.

Most pivotal move in my career:

Going directly in-house after law school.

Hardest lesson I've learned as a lawyer:

Sometimes the best legal opinion does not always make a client happy. Finding a solution that meets legal and business needs can be challenging.

Worst job I ever had:

The worst job I ever had was my first job, a dishwasher and fryer at a diner.

What I like most about ACC's Chicago Chapter:

My favorite part of ACC Chicago is the Diversity Internship Program. Working as an ACC intern during my 1L summer was my first exposure to in-house work. After that summer, I made it my goal to become an in-house lawyer, and I am fortunate enough to have become one not long after law school.

How I achieve work/life balance:

I strive to complete the majority of work between 8 and 5.

When I am not working, I like to:

Spend time with my wife going to new restaurants, museums, sporting events, musicals, comedy shows, or walking on the lakefront path.

If I were not practicing law, I would probably be:

either a chef or a pilot.

People may be surprised to learn that I:

hold collegiate records in baseball for most stolen bases in a season and in a career.

Favorite vacation spot:

Italy.

The place I have never been but would most like to visit:

Spain.

Currently reading:

Quiet – The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking.