

2014 Summer Vacation Job Training Program

THORNTON SMITH has successfully completed its first Summer Vacation Job Training Program which provides two fourth form students attending secondary schools within the territory the opportunity to gain relevant job training, career coaching and supervised work experience within the legal field.

Establishing relationships with the work attachment coordinator and the guidance officer, respectfully, at two of the territory's largest secondary schools, namely St. George's Secondary School and the Elmore Stoutt High School for the summer vacation months of 2014, was the beginning stages to this initiative. After liaising with the schools to get the necessary documents completed and matching students interested in the legal profession, we are proud to say that two exceptional students, Shizue Chalwell of St. Georges' Secondary School and Whitney Smith of Elmore Stoutt High School, joined the team at THORNTON SMITH in July and August respectively.

The objectives for the job training program at THORNTON SMITH are to excite the interests of students in the field of law by exercising and developing the skills of students in the areas of critical thinking, research, teamwork and writing, and also soft skills to compliment those occupational skills. The program comprised of on-site visits to institutions which the firm is directly involved in doing business with, creating out-of-office exposure and networking opportunities with industry professionals.



Discussions and a career roundtable along with special projects were also part of the program. Each student completed a minimum of seven training and development hours which included Front desk, Business writing and THORNTON SMITH's intellectual property desk manual training and an in-house initial Anti-Money Laundering (AML) training and testing, which both students did outstandingly well.



On the final day of each student's month-long program as junior cadets, they were able to recap all the exciting things that they experienced and learned at THORNTON SMITH and received certificates of completion for the AML training and their overall participation in



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THORNTON SMITH's Summer Job Training Program 2014.

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