

MEMBER PROFILE QUESTIONS

INTRO :

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QUESTIONS :

1- How did you get into criminal law?

I was always interested in criminal law, but after being a summer student at Pinkoskys I was sold.

2- What type of cases do you enjoy defending the most and why?

I enjoy defending any case where I have ammo supporting my client's version of events.

3- How did the practice of criminal law change you?

It made me less vulnerable to fraud.

4- If there is one thing only you would like to see change in criminal law, what

would it be?

The current state of jails. Since they will not be abolished, they need to be safe, therapeutic environments that actually try to improve individuals.

5- What advice would you give to your younger self when you first started

practising criminal law?

Pace yourself for a long career to avoid burnout. You don't need to race to tick off the list of career goals.

6- How do you deal with bad work days?

I try and surround myself with my favorite family and friends.

7- What do you think of Zoom court?

It has its place in criminal justice. It should remain an option for those who wish to use it.

8- Any embarrassing court story you're willing to share?

I was late for a JPT and I shrugged-off the Crown who was upset about it and ignored her, but it was actually not the Crown but the JPT judge !

9- Who is your role model/inspiration in criminal law?

My teachers from Pinkofskys; Reid Rusonik, Liam O'Connor, Brian Ross, David Bayliss, and Nathan Gorham.

10-What's your favourite song?

I won't ever be able to pick just one !

11-How do you maintain work life balance and how do you deal with the stress

of the job?

I prioritize family, and try to maintain a manageable caseload. Laughter is my remedy for stress.

12-What is your biggest legal inspiration?

Reid Rusonik

13-What do you do outside of the law?

I parent, and consume stand-up comedy.

14-What would your defence bar colleagues be surprised to learn about you?

I somehow manage to do this job without caffeine.