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MEMBER PROFILE QUESTIONS

INTRO :

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QUESTIONS :

1- How did you get into criminal law?

During my time in law school, I had the opportunity to assist a senior lawyer at a trial, which sparked my interest in trial advocacy. When I was searching for articling positions, I primarily applied to criminal law firms and eventually landed a position at a boutique criminal law firm. Since then, I have been fully committed to this path.

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

I enjoy defending all kinds of criminal cases, but I have a particular affinity for cases involving Charter issues. I believe I excel at legal research, and I find the challenge of working on Charter cases to be intellectually stimulating.

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



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I believe I have become less judgmental. Often, individuals face criminal charges due to circumstances beyond their control. Many of my clients simply find themselves in the wrong place at the wrong time.

4- What advice would you give to your younger self when you first started practising criminal law?

Although I am still learning and relatively new to criminal law, my advice to my younger self would be to trust that everything will eventually work out—don't overthink it!

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

Moving to Canada and becoming a lawyer would not have been possible without the tremendous support from my former employer, Mr. Richard Aitken, and my articling principal, Mr. Phil Stiles. It was (and still is) a privilege to observe them practice law. I deeply admire their professionalism and dedication towards their clients.

6- How do you maintain work life balance and how do you deal with the stress of the job?

I haven't quite mastered that skill yet!

7- What do you do outside of the law?

I play tennis and enjoy spending time with my friends.