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### Final Reflection:

The end of my internship brought an unexpected and exciting moment. During my second-to-last week, I was assigned another legal research question. After two to three days of researching all day, I came across a law review article that mentioned something potentially relevant. I wasn't sure I had the right answer, but I shared it with my supervisor just in case.

To my surprise, she pulled me into her office—thrilled. Not because I had found the answer, but because the law review article analyzed an issue affecting many of our clients and outlined a detailed litigation strategy we could follow. She ended up forwarding the article to our entire unit and mentioned it several times to others throughout that day and the next. I was stunned because I hadn't even realized that this was an issue our clients were facing. I had only forwarded the article to her because a few lines seemed related to the original research question I was asked to explore.

This moment taught me two things:

1. The importance of law review articles in real-life practice
2. Even as interns—just one year into law school—we can contribute in meaningful ways during the short time we are interning, even while learning a new area of law and sometimes feeling unsure of ourselves

These lessons represent just part of how I grew during my internship. As someone whose primary role was legal research, I became a stronger and more confident legal researcher. Although I never found the citation for the lien question I mentioned in prior updates, I am more comfortable using legal databases and manually digging through casebooks to find the



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answers I need and in presenting my findings to others.

I also became a more confident networker by attending small, panel-based events hosted by the Public Interest Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association, which made it easier to engage meaningfully with others than large, traditional networking events focused mainly on mingling.

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