

## Common Interview Questions

- Tell me about yourself.
- Why did you come to law school? Why Santa Clara Law School?
- Favorite class and why?
- Why do you want to work here?
- Describe a major setback or failure you have faced and how you responded.
- If I talked to a former boss or classmates, what would they say is a positive trait you possess? How about a negative trait?
- Have you ever had to work with someone you did not like or make clear they did not like you? How did you handle that?
- Imagine it's Monday and you have three different partners come to you with assignments due on Friday. You know it is physically impossible to complete them all in the allotted time. What do you do?
- Tell me about a project you are most proud of.
- Where do you see yourself in 5 years?
- Tell me about a time you failed.
- What is your greatest strength/weakness?
- Tell me about a time you got a bad grade.
- Describe the biggest obstacle you've had to overcome.
- Tell me about a time you've had to take leadership over something.
- What motivates you?
- Tell me, why should we hire you?

Use the **STAR Method**- when responding, describe the:

- **Situation/Task**, at hand
- Your **Action**, the steps taken to handle it, and
- The positive **Results** which hopefully at least are partially based on your actions.

The idea is to respond with stories- concrete examples of behaviors and how you dealt with difficult situations.