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How has Triton impacted my life?

Triton helped build the foundation of who I am today. Triton has always been a part of my family. Triton was not only an education institution, but a blueprint of how I anticipated my occupational experience would be. Triton has deeply impacted my life and will continue to be an integral influence.

Biography

Education is in Shavon Wesley's genes. She was a member of the Triton College family before she was even born, as her mother had already been working at Triton for several years and father was a former Trojans basketball player. At age 3, she attended Triton's daycare and has been involved in campus education and activities ever since. Wesley holds two degrees from Triton, an Associate in Science and an Associate in Applied Science in business management.

Wesley has a bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, a paralegal certificate and a master's in public administration from Roosevelt University. She earned her Juris Doctor from Thomas M. Cooley Law School and was inducted into the State of Illinois Bar and became a licensed attorney in 2013.

Wesley avidly volunteers in the community. She volunteered at the Kane Legal Clinic sponsored by the Chicago Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired. There, she assisted with client intake, legal research, corresponded with outside counsel and secured essential resources. She also volunteered as a hotline legal aid attorney for CARPLS, which focuses on the areas of domestic relations, consumer debt, and landlord/tenant law. In addition, she volunteered for the Cook County Bar Association Legal Clinic where she did intake and referrals. She participated in multiple DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) workshops through the Resurrection Project as well as a citizenship workshop at the Erie Neighborhood House.

She's drafted wills and other estate planning documents for Chicago's emergency first responders through the Wills for Heroes program. Additionally, she's done a pro bono case through the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services (CVLS) Thunderdome Divorce Clinic. There, she handled a divorce case from start to finish. She further diversified her experience by volunteering with the Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women Network's court watch program where she attended court proceedings and evaluated how the courts are addressing the issue of domestic violence. Her observations will be compiled into later publications to serve as an outreach tool as well as hold the government accountable.

Lastly, she volunteered at Cabrini Green Legal Aid where she reviewed criminal records and assisted in alleviating collateral damage to those who have a criminal record.

Shavon is a lifelong resident of Triton's community and continues to exemplify Triton's mission.