

# Meet 2023 Summer Associate Zach Dobbin

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**Ward and Smith's 2023 Summer Associate Program is off to a great start, as five local law students have joined us for hands-on experience alongside our accomplished attorneys.**

Our six-week program provides these aspiring lawyers with a unique opportunity to sharpen their legal skills and gain invaluable insight into the dynamic world of law. While they are honing their skills, we're getting to know these future attorneys a bit better, and we're thrilled to introduce them in our "Meet the Summer Associate" series.

## Introducing Zach Dobbin



Hometown: Knightdale

School: North Carolina Central University School of Law - 1L

### **What do you like to do in your downtime when you're not studying?**

Reading and trying new restaurants with my friends.

### **What is your favorite book?**

Ender's Game

### **Where is your favorite vacation spot?**

The beach...but not the ocean

### **If you knew you could try anything and not fail, what dream would you pursue?**

Becoming a world-renowned chef.

**Why do you want to be an attorney?**

To play a role in large-scale changes that ultimately improve as many lives as possible.

**What sparked your interest in law?**

A combination of high school debates and research into many of the underlying issues of the health system.

**What is the hardest part of law school?**

Accepting there's often no "right" answer, just the best one.

**What's the best advice someone has given you?**

Regretting and remembering the past isn't an issue, but being stuck in the past or forgetting it can be.

**Describe yourself in three words.**

Calm, curious, and adaptable.

Our Ward and Smith Summer Associate Program runs through June 23.

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**Meet our 2023 Summer Associates**

- Theresa DiCenzo
- Marley Peterson
- Emily Sullivan
- Anna Washa