



# Judy Jewsome '07

## Student

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worked

four years in the hotel business, then for seven years in the Attorney General's office before deciding to attend law school. It was her time in the Attorney General's Office that made Jewsome decide to enroll in law school. She worked in the Consumer Protection Division and felt she could only do so much to help individuals who had been taken advantage of by others because she did not have her law degree. By attending law school, she believed she could do more to help protect those individuals who have worked so hard to get what they had, just to have it taken away by an unscrupulous person.

Jewsome originally was interested in law enforcement and thought of joining the Coast Guard out of high school. Her mother, however, encouraged her to get a business degree instead. Believing her mother probably knew best, Jewsome went to school and worked in the hotel industry. She loved the fast-paced industry of hotel management. After working for Marriott for four years, Jewsome decided that even though she liked the industry; she still had a yearning for her first love, law enforcement.

Jewsome became an officer in training, but soon decided police work was not the direction she wanted to take. That is when she joined the Attorney General's office in the Consumer Protection division. Jewsome soon realized there are trusting, unsuspecting people who cannot survive without protection from others and outside sources. In her quest to help others, she decided she could do more for these individuals by getting a law degree.

Jewsome comes from a hard working family, which is where she learned her work ethic. "My parents worked hard for everything they have, and then they gave everything they earned to help us. They are my great motivators, when I think I have hit a wall or bump in the road, I think of how they never quit, and it gives me motivation to keep going," said Jewsome. Her dad had a saying she fondly remembers, "nothing that

comes easy is worth having." Jewsome has applied this not only to her life, but to attending law school as well.

Jewsome has worked hard her first semester of law school and feels "blessed to be given the opportunity." She is a member of BLSA and feels fortunate that the group is there to support the new students. "They checked in on the first year students and helped get us through the first semester, I truly appreciate their support," claims Jewsome. She has also helped with WashCall. "When I heard WashCall raises funds to help provide scholarships which enable students to attend Washburn Law who otherwise might not be able to, I felt this was very worthwhile and I wanted to get involved and do my part."

After graduation from Washburn Law, Jewsome hopes to work in a firm which handles consumer protection issues and does plaintiff work. She wants to educate and motivate people. "For those who have been taken advantage of, I want to help. I want them to realize they can cross that bump in the road and they can do it, they can hold their head high and move forward. That is what is most important," said Jewsome.

Jewsome knows she has found her calling. Fueled by her parents lifetime of hard work and strong ethics and the desire to help those who have worked hard and been taken advantage of, there is no question she will become an outstanding advocate for those who seek her help.

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