Graduate Spotlight:

Stefania Grillo Quintero



Seeing the real-world impact of legal advocacy helped shape Stefania Grillo Quintero's perspective on being a Rattler for Justice.

“I found that I felt the most fulfilled when I pursued opportunities that place me in direct service of others, particularly those whose voices are often overlooked," said Grillo Quintero, a 2026 graduate.

“Through my experience working with the State Attorney's Office in the domestic violence division, I have seen firsthand the impact that compassionate and diligent advocacy can have on vulnerable individuals. This role has reinforced my responsibility not only to seek justice in the courtroom, but also to approach each case with empathy, recognizing the human stories behind the legal issues. Being a Rattler for Justice means standing in that space and advocating with both skill and integrity."

Grillo Quintero was also shaped by medical concerns she overcame during her first year of law school.

“I faced a personal health scare while also supporting a close family member through a cancer diagnosis," said Grillo Quintero. “These experiences strengthened my resilience and determination. For anyone going through something similar, I would say lean on your support system, hold onto your faith, and try to find light in difficult moments."

Through her perseverance, Grillo Quintero was recognized for her academic excellence: Dean's List for Fall 2024, Spring 2025, and Fall 2025; and Book Awards for Appellate Advocacy, Remedies, and Sales.