

Samantha Folkes



Originally from Jamaica, Samantha Folkes moved to New York in 2014 where she attended and graduated *summa cum laude* from Monroe College with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Legal Studies. She will graduate from Florida State University School of Law in May 2021. Last summer, Folkes interned at the Law Office of Maaz Quraishi, PA in West Palm Beach, where she researched applicable case law and drafted responses to motions for summary judgment. She also drafted initial pleading documents and settlement demands for various personal injury cases. During her 1L summer and throughout the fall semester of her 2L year, Folkes clerked at Boyd & Durant, P.L. She researched and drafted memoranda in family law cases, and drafted various pleadings and proposed orders in family and probate law cases.

Folkes is also a member of the FSU Trial Team and was awarded Best Opening Statement in the 2020 Martin Luther King, Jr. National Civil Rights Trial Competition. She is also a member of the Black Law Students Association and served as member-at-large for the 2019-2020 academic year.