



In 1995, I was assigned a Rabbinic internship that ended up being a five year stint that catapulted me toward the Rabbinate and ultimately away from the legal profession. My assigned mentor was Rabbi Benjamin Yudin of Fair Lawn, NJ. I spent 5 consecutive years of my life, including almost every Shabbos

When I finally met my wife, I decided to leave my job and spend my initial years of marriage in full-time learning. I was accepted to learn by Rav Yaakov Freidman's yeshiva (birchas mordechai-in beit har) and was a little nervous as I'd be one of the oldest people in the yeshiva plus having spent many years away from full-time learning. I schmoozed with Rav Weinberger about the challenge and his advice to me was "don't be embarrassed to ask someone younger than you to explain the tosfos again if you d