

Samir Tayob Testimonial

Video Transcript

My name is Samir Tayob. I joined Commerce in the fall of 2022. I work specifically within Commerce Trust as Managing Trust Council. For me, AAPI Month is a chance to share my story.

And why it's important to me is because I feel like when we learn about one another, when I get to share my story or hear stories of others, I feel like we really get to learn from each other's experiences. And I think that kind of creates connections.

And I'm just fascinated by other people and where they came from. And I think when we share our stories, we figure out just kind of how similar a lot of us are.

I credit my background and kind of how I was raised in this sort of multicultural ethnicity, sort of mix. I use that a lot in kind of how I approach the work that I do because to me, it's a constant reminder that we all sort of come from different experiences and when you bring us all from different perspectives together you kind of can pull sort of you know the best of everything.

And I used to struggle a little bit with saying, well, you know, which box do I fit into?

And it wasn't until I was much older that I realized you don't have to fit into any particular box. You just sort of are who you are.

And what I really like about the work that we do is we get to intersect with people from a diversity of backgrounds and experiences.

And I think when, especially at Commerce, we all bring our own perspectives. We really do come up with much better ideas and much better solutions.