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EDUCATION

2020–PRESENT

BCL LAW, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

- First year: Introduction to Law (72%); Legal Process (66%); Obligations I (63%); and Constitutional and Administrative Law (67%)
- Second year: Criminal Law; Company Law; Obligations II; Property Law; and Intellectual Property
- Awarded law prize for the highest recorded grade (81%) for a criminal law essay

2013–2020

WELLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL, NAAS

- Leaving Cert: English Literature (H1), French (H2), History (H1), German (B1). All other grades received were B2 or higher.

LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE

MAY 2021

INSIGHT PLACEMENT, TOWERS & MAY

- Work-shadowed trainee in property law seat
- Proofread leasehold contract for associate
- Networked with associates and partners at a lunch reception

JULY 2020

WORK SHADOWING PLACEMENT, SULLIVANS (HIGH STREET FIRM)

- Invited to take minutes at client meetings and conferences with barristers
- Researched legal precedents for two family law cases
- Observed the importance of meeting the business objectives of a chain of vet surgeries focused on buying another local practice

JUNE 2020

OPEN COURT SESSION, NAAS DISTRICT COURT

- Observed the teamwork between barristers and solicitors in a range of criminal cases

COMMERCIAL WORK EXPERIENCE

MAY 2019–PRESENT

CUSTOMER SERVICE ASSISTANT, TESCO NAAS

- Promoted from cashier role after four months after demonstrating good rapport with customers
- Advised and assisted customers, resolved customer complaints and handled unexpected situations
- Developed key skills for a career in law: understanding of how large businesses operate, dealing with conflict, working under pressure and negotiating with clients

VOLUNTARY AND PRO BONO

MAY 2020–PRESENT

ELECTED PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN LAW SOCIETY

- Chaired monthly committee meetings, liaise with the Students' Union and organise social events for 200 society members
- Raised £1,000 of sponsorship for new initiative: the Client Interviewing Competition 2016
- Arranged and introduced speaker – Jo Smith QC, Bar Council chair at Annual Law Society Dinner 2016

MAY 2020–PRESENT

STUDENT MANAGER, UNIVERSITY LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC

- Set up a legal aid weekly drop-in clinic (run through the welfare office on campus) for students experiencing problems with rental lease or employment rights
- Persuaded two local law firms to supply three qualified solicitors on voluntary basis
- Established a rota of law students to support the solicitors
- Wrote marketing material to increase clinic users from 10 students to 30 students in first month

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Captain of the university volleyball team
- Features editor for University Times, the student newspaper
- Worked as an au pair in Nuremburg, Germany
- Fluent in German
- Working knowledge of Spanish

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST