# **RUARCC BALLANTINE**

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#### 4<sup>th</sup> Year LLB Student

Hardworking, honest, and outgoing individual, with a good sense of humour. Experience working independently in busy environments and within a team setting. Copious experience working with people of all ages and backgrounds.

# **EDUCATION**

2018 - PRESENT

#### **NUI MAYNOOTH**

Bachelor of Laws (LLB) - On track to graduate with 2.1.

2010 - 2016

## SLIGO GRAMMAR SCHOOL, THE MALL

Honour's Leaving Certificate 2016 Honour's Junior Certificate 2013

# LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE

#### 2020 - PRESENT

## CAROL MCCORMACK SOLICITORS, CARICK ON SHANNON, CO. LETRIM

- Proficient in Legal Evolve, case management system.
- Answering the phone, ringing clients and contacts, organizing appointments and further administrative tasks.
- Drafting various documents, briefs, and letters for cases in litigation, conveyancing, and probate law.
- Management of firm's website, scripting of blogs, social media posts and monthly newsletters.
- Implementation of an efficient system for archiving and shredding case files.

#### 2020 - PRESENT

## **KEITH O'GRADY BL, SLIGO TOWN, CO. SLIGO**

- Firsthand experience of consultations with clients during trial dates.
- Extensive courtroom experience with a junior counsel.
- Handling of files and taking notes for the solicitor and junior counsel.
- Deputized for the solicitor and communicated with clients in their stead.

#### **SUMMER 2022**

## MICHAEL MONAHAN SOLICTORS, SLIGO TOWN, CO. SLIGO

- Adaptation to a new case management system.
- Drafting briefs for counsel for personal injury cases.
- Observation of consults between solicitor and clients and taking attendances for further use in litigation files

## 2013-2014 MCGOVERN WALSH SOLICTORS, SLIGO TOWN, CO. SLIGO

• Transition Year Work Experience

# WORK EXPERIENCE

2018 - 2021
MARKREE CASTLE, COLLOONEY, CO. SLIGO
Bartender and Night Porter
2017 - 2019
THE WOODVIEW INN, PUBLIC HOUSE, DROMAHAIR, CO. LEITRIM
Bartender
2014 - 2016
ROSE OF INISHFREE TOUR BOAT, PARKES CASTLE, CO. LEITRIM
Crewmate

# **ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEERING**

- **GAA:** Member of Dromahair GAA Club. Winning member of minor, U-21 and Junior teams.
- **KARATE:** Black belt. Won two gold medals in Karate World Championships.
- **LAW:** Keen interest in Law since school. Winning member of college Mock Trial Team in 2019. Active member of the Law Society in Maynooth and European Law Society.
- LGFA: Head Manager of winning Dromahair Ladies U-16 and Minor Football Teams 2016 to 2019.
   Assistant Manager of Dromahair Ladies Senior Football Team winning both loague and

Football Team winning both league and championship 2018-2021.

• LEITRIM ANIMAL WELFARE CENTRE: Socialization and exercise plan for dogs and puppies.

# **SKILLS AND CERTIFICATES**

- Communication, leadership, adaptability
- Full Driving License, 2019

- Clifford Chance Cyber Security Global Virtual Internship
- Foundation Coaching Course and Child Safe-Guarding

# REFERENCES

## Ms. Carol McCormack

Solicitor, Carol McCormack Solicitor Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim

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Mr. Keith O'Grady BL Junior Counsel

Sligo Town, Co. Sligo

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