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# Personal Statement

A highly energetic, enthusiastic and motivated law graduate with an outstanding academic record and experience.

# Exam Results

LAW (BCL) (FIRST CLASS HONOURS) | 2017 | UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK

Final Year Examination Results:

Module: Result:

Company Law I: 71%

Company Law II: 71%

Taxation/Revenue Law: 74%

Information Technology Law: 73%

Equity I: 68%

Equity II: 69%

Banking Law: 73%

English Land Law: 65%

Jurisprudence: 70%

Leaving Certificate: 605 Points

Physics: A1 English: A2

History: A1 Mathematics: A2

Biology: A1

German: A2

Religion: A2

# Skills & Abilities

## Leadership and teamwork

* Teamwork has consistently played a huge role my life, be it in sport, work or other activities. I have led debating and moot teams at university, taken part in efforts to create self-sufficient farming communities in water-deprived regions of Italy’s Mezzogiorno, and been an avid member of Tramore Athletic Club. In a more legal role, I have worked in Flac and worked together with various solicitors while doing internships to achieve the best result for the client.

## COMMUNICATION

* I speak fluent German and Intermediate Arabic and Italian. I believe the most important part of being a good communicator is expressing yourself cogently and amicably. Building a rapport with others is also extremely important for me. Listening and being open to alternative points of view and suggestions is also of the utmost importance. Over the course of two law firm internships I learned the value of clear communication and good co-ordination in a legal environment.

**INTERESTS AND HOBBYS**

I love to travel and the experience of being immersed in a foreign culture. I have spent months travelling through Europe, working on farms or in small rural shops. I have also travelled in the Middle East, including to the Palestinian Territories.

Similarly, adventurism is something I find highly attractive. I have been a member of UCC Mountaineering since I entered University. In 2015 I climbed Mt. Etna, the largest active volcano in Europe.

I am fascinated by the philosophies underpinning the modern world and am an avid reader in that regard. The changes posed by AI and Automation, the populist surge across the West and the return of geopolitics are all subjects by which I am enthralled.

# Relevant Experience

## LEGAL INTERN | MICHAEL POWELL SOLICITORS | sUMMER 2016

* Multi-faceted work in boutique commercial law firm specializing in Credit Unions
* Legal drafting including company constitutions
* Attending court and meeting clients
* Legal research and drafting reports
* Secretarial and miscellaneous office work

## Legal Intern | douglas law solicitos | summer 2017

* Intimate role in the Firm working alongside Partners and eventually taking part in deliberations concerning clients.
* Legal research, including topical areas such as Whistleblowing legislation and Multi-Unit Developments.
* Preparing briefs for counsel.
* Legal drafting including: contracts for sale and licensing agreements.
* Corresponding with counterparties, clients and bodies.

#  References

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