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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Marketing, Beechview Dental Limited, Dublin, Ireland** **Oct. 2021 – Jan. 2023**

- **Duties:** social media management and content creation; website development; photography and videography.

**Legal Researcher, Mason Hayes & Curran LLP, Dublin, Ireland** **Apr. 2022 – Jun. 2022**

- **Duties:** conducted weekly research tasks on various topics that were of interest to the competition law team. Delivered research findings in the form of internal reports, publishable articles and legislative comments.

**Research student/Tutor, UCD Sutherland School of Law, Dublin, Ireland** **May 2017 – May 2021**

- **Duties:** conducted research; delivered lectures on 'EU Economic Law' for undergraduate and master's students; held a lecture on 'Research Skills' for PhD students; tutored undergraduate students in 'EU Constitutional Law' and 'EU Economic Law'; updated and improved the teaching materials for the master's module: 'EU Competition Law'; organised, attended and presented at specialised conferences.

**Junior Legal Advisor, Anca Alina Cosmina Attorney Office, Cluj-Napoca, Romania** **Nov. 2012 – Nov. 2013**

- **Duties:** analysed documents and legislative instruments related to on-going cases; conducted research; proposed theoretical solutions; drafted correspondence and legal documents; provided administrative support to two senior lawyers; and kept clients informed about the progress of their cases. Generally, the workload included matters of commercial law, civil law, employment law and criminal law.

## FE-1 EXAMINATIONS

- Successfully completed all FE1 exams in March 2024.

## EDUCATION

**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law, University College Dublin, Ireland** **Sep. 2016 – Feb. 2022**

- **Thesis Title:** Reformulating the contribution of EU Private International Law to the development of the private enforcement of EU Competition Law.

**LLM International Commercial Law, University of Aberdeen, UK** **Feb. 2014 – Dec. 2014**

- **Dissertation title:** Freedom of Establishment and the Applicable Law to Companies within the European Union.

**Bachelor of Law (LLB), Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania** **Oct. 2009 – Jun. 2013**

## FOREIGN LANGUAGES

- Romanian – Mother tongue
- English – Level C2 (Proficient)
- German – Level B1 (Intermediate)
- Italian – Level B1 (Intermediate)
- French – Level A1 (Elementary)
- Spanish – Level A1 (Elementary)

## PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Received** the '2016 Matheson Doctoral Scholarship in Commercial Law' supporting my research activity between September 2016 and August 2020.
- **Member of** the 'UCD Business law and Regulation Research Group' between September 2016 and May 2021.
- **Presented at** the 8th Journal of Private International Law Conference hosted by Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, in September 2019, a paper on the topic: 'Cross-border EU competition law damages actions: distinguishing contractual from tortious liability and allocating jurisdiction considering the particularities of competition law litigation'.
- **Presented at** the Workshop organised by the Competition Law Scholars Forum and hosted by University College Cork, in September 2019, a paper on the topic: 'CJEU case law developments and current issues in allocating jurisdiction in cross-border EU competition law damages actions'.
- **Presented at** the Annual Graduate Research Student Symposium organised and hosted by University College Dublin, in May 2019, a paper on the topic: 'Allocating jurisdiction and consolidating actions concerning damages arising out of EU competition law infringements – Recent Developments'.
- **Presented at** the Society of Legal Scholars Graduate Conference hosted by Queen Mary University of London, in September 2018, a paper on the topic: 'EU Competition Law Damages Actions: access to evidence in cross-border cases via EU PIL rules'.
- **Published** a Journal Article on '*Lis pendens* after Brussels I Recast' in the Romanian Business Law Review, No 2/2015, both in English and in Romanian.

## SKILLS

- **Analysis and Problem-Solving:** define a problem and identify possible causes; comprehend large amounts of information; form and defend independent conclusions; design an experiment, plan or model that defines a problem and its cause, test potential resolutions and implement a solution.
- **Interpersonal and Leadership Skills:** facilitate group discussions or conduct meetings; respond appropriately to positive or negative feedback; collaborate on projects; teach skills or concepts to others; effectively mentor subordinates and/or peers.
- **Project Management and Organisation:** manage a project or projects from inception to completion; identify goals and/or tasks to be accomplished and a realistic timeline for completion; prioritise tasks while anticipating potential problems.
- **Research and Information Management:** identify sources of information applicable to a given problem; understand and synthesize large quantities of data; develop organising principles to effectively sort and evaluate data.
- **Self-Management and Work Habits:** work effectively under pressure and to meet deadlines; comprehend new material and subject matter quickly; work effectively with limited supervision.
- **Written and Oral Communication:** prepare concise and logically written materials; organise and communicate ideas effectively in oral presentations to small and large groups; write at all levels, from brief abstracts to book-length manuscripts; debate issues in a collegial manner and participate in group discussions; use logical arguments to persuade others; explain complex or difficult concepts in basic terms and language.
- **IT Skills:** independent user of online search engines and specialised legal databases; advanced user of Microsoft Word and Power Point.

## INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

- Technology, finance, economics, politics, art, photography, motorcycling, hiking and camping.