# **Christopher Murray**

**Education**

**2014 – 2018 BCL Clinical, University College Cork (UCC)**

***Third Year Result:*** 2H1 (67%)

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| * Research Project I – Pass * Placement Presentation I - Pass * Placement I - Pass | * Research Project II - Pass * Placement Presentation II - Pass * Placement II - Pass |

***Second year result*:** 2H1 (66%) **Ranked 2nd of 63 students**

* IT Law - 2H1 – 63%
* Property Law - 2H1 – 63%
* Economic Law of the EU - 1H – 70%
* Clinical Legal Skills - Pass
* Principles of Public International Law - 1H - 74%
* Commercial Law - 2H1 – 68%

***First year result*:** 2H1 (65%) **Ranked 3rd of 72 students**

* Contract Law - 2H1 – 62%
* Constitutional Law: Institutions of Government - 1H – 72%
* Criminal Law - 2H1 – 63%
* EU Law - 2H1 – 60%
* Foundations of the Legal System - 1H – 72%
* Law of Tort - 1H – 72%
* Legal Research and Writing - Pass

**IT Skills**

* Proficient at Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Power Point.
* Proficiency in using case and task management system used by a corporate law firm.

**2008 – 2014 Secondary School Leaving Certificate – 500 points**

* Presentation Brothers College

**Work Experience**

**July 2017 – August 2017 Legal Intern P.J. O’Driscoll & Sons Solicitors, South Mall, Cork City**

* Scheduled title documents for properties.
* Engaged in discovery of collateral documents and upload of documents to data room.
* Attended High Court, Circuit Court and District Court cases, allowing me to become more familiar with court procedure.
* Carried out targeted research on specific areas of law and terms in above cases.

**September 2016 – April 2017 Legal Intern Ronan Daly Jermyn Solicitors (RDJ), Cork City Office**

* First semester - Commercial property.
* Registered properties with the Irish Land Registry and the older system of the Registry of Deeds.
* Engaged in correspondence with external parties such as other solicitor’s offices and local authorities.
* Satisfied queries in relation to title and security documents for major loan sales relating for a state client.
* Scheduled documents relating to properties involved in loan sales mentioned above.
* Second semester - Commercial & General Litigation.
* Contributed to article writing for the insights and publications section of the firm’s site.
* Completed case briefs for a partner on the healthcare team.
* Helped prepare the litigation weekly newsletter, which is circulated around the firm.
* Completed letter and email correspondence on healthcare team at different stages of pleadings.
* Collected and recorded evidence in discovery for client in High Court case.
* Prepared transition year students for mock court trial.

**June 2015 - September 2015 Floor staff Rearden’s Bar, Washington Street, Cork City**

* Ensured safety of customers, through keeping floor free of broken glass and spillages each night.
* Reported any relevant incidents to security quickly and effectively.
* Recorded any of my actions taken and time the action was carried out in order to protect business from any possible unfounded legal claims for injury.
* Worked with other members of staff to provide a high quality customer service experience, over a long period of time each night, in a fast paced and challenging environment.

**Skills**

* **Communication:** I have good communication skills and my work experience Rearden’s helped me develop an ability to communicate effectively in an environment that was defined by difficult conditions. Working with RDJ has improved my ability to receive messages & advice clearly and apply this to the task at hand. My communication skills have also been enhanced through playing soccer, where messages need to be made clearly and concisely in a fast paced environment.
* **Teamwork:** My interpersonal skills and the friendly nature of my personality allow me to work well within teams. My time at RDJ and Rearden’s gave me valuable experience of working within a team to achieve goals in a professional working environment. Playing soccer, formerly at College Corinthians and now with UCC Soccer Club have given me experiences of working within successful teams. Additionally they have provided me with an ability to work around different personalities and a range of different skill sets.
* **Organisation and Time Management:** Since beginning university, I have completed numerous assignments and exams. Getting the relevant legal research finished that form the foundations of high quality essays, completing the assignment in high attention to detail and ensuring I get the required study done for exams, in each of their specific time frames, have greatly enhanced my time management and organisational skills. This has been reflected in my results achieved to date

**Interests and achievements**

* **Voluntary:** I volunteer once every fortnight at a facility operated by the Brothers of Charity. I am mainly involved with social activities and outings for the service users.
* Accumulated over 60 hours of collecting for SHARE (charitable organisation in Cork, run by the Presentation Brothers, to support homeless elderly people) during the Christmas periods of 2011 and 2012.
* Achieved bronze medallion and resuscitation awards from Royal Lifesaving in 2012.
* **Football:** My main interest is playing and following football. I am a member of UCC Soccer Club and formerly played with College Corinthians. In addition, I regularly play seven a side soccer in a more casual setting. Outside of playing soccer, I am an extremely passionate supporter of my local club Cork City, Arsenal FC and the Irish National Team.
* **Reading:** I enjoy reading, mostly espionage novels along with sports autobiographies. My favourite authors include Noah Hawley, Lee Child, Terry Hayes and Emily St. John Mandel.

**References**

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