

# **Conor Ó Curraín BA, LLB, LLM**

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## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **September 2019 – December 2019: Hayes Solicitors, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2**

#### **Legal Intern**

- I completed a three month legal internship at Hayes solicitors. I was assigned to a small standalone legal team on the test case regarding a challenge to the Pandemrix vaccine, entitled Aoife Bennet v The Department of Health, HSE & GSK, which was resolved in December 2019.
- I attended consultations with solicitors and counsel in preparation for trial, as well as with medical experts who were due to give evidence for the case. This trial required the consideration and evaluation of thousands of documents. It was characterized as the biggest discovery project in the history of the State. I was required to work with a large variety of documentation and execute a large variety of urgent tasks.
- I was required to conduct legal research into certain points pertaining to the case as the trial was running, attend court, and draft legal documents and letters. I was also required to collate and prepare large briefs for court on an urgent basis.

### **May 2014 – August 2019: Joyces Supermarket Inverin, Co Galway**

#### **Off Licence Manager, Sales Assistant**

- I worked as a part time sales assistant in a local supermarket while at University. I developed strong interpersonal and communication skills in the work place.
- During the summers of 2016, 2017, and 2018, I was promoted to a management position in the off licence area of the supermarket. In this role, I was responsible for purchasing stock, forecasting sales, managing staff and supplier relationships.

### **June 2013 – August 2013: Coláiste Chonnact, Spiddal, Co Galway**

- I worked as a teaching assistant in the Irish language summer courses.

## **EDUCATION**

### **March 2020: Fe1 Entrance Examinations to the Law Society of Ireland**

- Exams Completed: Land Law, EU Law, the Law of Equity

### **2018 – 2019: Masters in European Law LLM,**

#### **Europa Institute, Universiteit Leiden, the Netherlands**

- I have had the opportunity to live and study abroad in an international setting.
- My thesis examined the relationship between Article 4(3) TEU and Article 50 TEU. It examined the withdrawal process from the European Union and its' interaction with external relations law.
- Overall Result: 7.4/10

## **2017- 2018: LLB Postgraduate Degree**

### **National University of Ireland, Galway**

- I learned to critically appraise legal texts and develop legal arguments.
- I was awarded a first class honours for my final year essay on the duty to give reasons for administrative decisions. Under the supervision of Senior lecturer, Mr Tom O'Malley, this essay provided an in-depth analysis on recent developments on the duty to give reasons in Irish administrative law.
- Overall result of 64.75%, 2:1

## **2013- 2017: Bachelor of Arts**

### **National University of Ireland, Galway**

- Subjects Studied; Legal Studies, English literature.
- Overall result: 53.94% 2:2.

## **2008 – 2013: Leaving Certificate, 425 points**

### **St Joseph's Patrician College, Nun's Island, Galway**

## **KEY SKILLS**

- **Technology:** I have experience in the use of Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint. I am also proficient in the use of practice management software Practice Evolve. I have experience in the use of TrialView software system for presenting and managing court documents during a trial. I also have experience in editing large documentation through the use of Adobe Nitro Pro.
- **Research:** I am very familiar with the use of, and the strengths and weaknesses of the following the following databases: Westlaw, EUR-Lex, CURIA, Lexis, Courts.ie, Justis, Bailii.
- **Communication:** I am an excellent communicator with strong interpersonal skills.

## **INTERESTS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

- **National Moot Court Competition, Gael Linn Bréagchúirt Uí Dháilagh:** In November of 2017 I represented NUI Galway in the national moot court competition through Irish, where my team-mate and I qualified for the finals.
- **Volunteering:** Bag-Packing on behalf of the Galway Hospice. A group of four raised €1,200.

## **REFERENCES**

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