**DENIS O’ FARRELL**

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**Education**

**September 2015 – Present:** *Law (Bachelor of Civil Law) in University College Cork*

* Currently in final year
* Academic focus: Information Technology and Company Law.
* **Results:**
	+ Received second class honours grade one in first year (64.5%). Class ranking: 6 of 88.
	+ Received second class honours grade one in second year (63.5%). Class ranking: 7 of 73.

**September 2009 – June 2015:** *St. Colman’s College, Fermoy, Cork.*

* Leaving Certificate: 550 points.
* **Academic Awards**:
	+ UCC Strategic Skills Entrance Scholarship
	+ St. Colman’s College French Leaving Certificate Excellence Award

**Employment**

**2003 – Present:** *O’ Farrell’s Farm*

* Worked on father’s 135-acre farm since a young age and have been an integral part of its current success as a dual enterprise.

Planning and Consultation

* Involved in consultation process to improve land quality and stock organisation.

Financial Responsibilities

* Responsible for the majority of day-to-day financial matters in the enterprise.
* Manage cash flow and necessary accounting procedures.

Regulatory and Statutory Compliance

* Apply for applicable European and domestic grants.
* Ensure ongoing work subject to European or domestic grants meets inspections standards.
* Responsible for environmental compliance within the farm.

**May 2017 - June 2017:** *Ronan Daly Jermyn Solicitors, 2 Park Place, Citygate Park, Mahon Point, Cork*

* Worked for four weeks as an intern in the Banking and Finance department of RDJ.

Legal Drafting

* Drafted various documents required for regulatory compliance and meeting of statutory deadlines

Client Consultation

* Trained by an award-winning client consultation expert
* Practiced mock client consultation with solicitors and partners within the firm; focussing on company matters such as formation and the GDPR.

Administrative

* Scheduled client files, focussing primarily on conveyances and financing.
* Photocopied and scanned any relevant documents
* Searched for any miscellaneous documents which were required

Solicitor Meetings

* Attended closing of deals, primarily property, to gain greater understanding of solicitor interactions

**June 2017 – September 2017:** *Murphy Lynam Solicitors,* *Courthouse Chambers, 27/29 Washington Street, Cork*

* Worked for two and a half months as a legal intern in the commercially-focussed practice.

Legal Drafting

* Autonomously wrote letters to clients and various bodies in relation to ongoing work. Also transcribed dictated letters.
* Independently drafted documents such as tenancy agreements, contracts for sale, section 68 engagements, authorities, undertakings and statements of costs.

Registrations

* Responsible for registrations with the Property Registration Authority e.g. mortgages and certificates of title.
* Responsible for all Residential Tenancy Board dealings, engaging with clients, tenants and the board.

Client Dealings

* Regularly dealt with clients on a one-to-one basis; identifying their issues and proposing solutions.

**Voluntary Experience**

**September 2015 – Present**: *Cork Online Law Review, University College Cork, Cork*

Deputy Editor: April 2016 – May 2017

* Interviewed candidates for the Editorial Board of the Sixteenth Edition.
* Reviewed and edited all articles submitted along with Editor-In-Chief.
* Responsible for ensuring smooth running of Editorial Board.
* Involved in planning of any endeavours and events, such as Author’s Night and Launch Night.

Webmaster: April 2016 - Present

* Sole architect of new website, sponsored by Arthur Cox.
* Publish all website materials and co-publish social media posts.

General Editor: September 2015 – Present

* Interviewed candidates for the Editorial Board of the Seventeenth Edition.
* Reviewed articles and presented findings in written and oral submissions to the Editorial Board.
* Edited selected articles to a publishable standard.

**September 2016 – May 2017:** *Free Legal Advice Centre (FLAC), University College Cork, Cork*

Ordinary Committee Member

* Involved in planning and running of Mock Clinics to inform students of their rights and allow students to volunteer at FLAC’s Clinics.
* Promote and publish materials on events to raise awareness amongst the student body of FLAC.
* Integral in organising the UCC branch of the FLAC Moot Intervarsity Moot Competition.

**September 2016 – May 2017:** *Advocacy (Law Society), University College Cork, Cork*

Moot Sub-Committee Member

* Time-keeper, planner and promoter of UCC moot competitions.

**September 2014 – June 2015:** *St. Colman’s College, Fermoy, Cork*

School Prefect

* St. Colman’s College appoints school prefects to primarily mentor younger students.
* Developed communication skills representing the school at various public events such as open nights and awards nights.

**September 2012 – December 2012:** *weXsell (Mini-Company), Fermoy, Cork*

Human Resources and Sales Manager

* Generated over €1000 profit through door-to-door sales of information technologies services in four months.

**Interests and Achievements**

**2003 – Present**: *Hurling*

* Train or play at least three times a week for the vast majority of the year.
* Represented my county, division, school and club at the highest level from a young age, winning two All-Ireland, one Munster, and four county titles.

**September 2012 – June 2014:** *Debating, St. Colman’s College, Fermoy, Cork*

Concern Debating

* Team captain of school’s Concern debating team, partaking in several competitions across Cork.

**2001 – 2011:** *Acting, London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art*

Feis Matiu

* Silver Medal in Solo Verse Speaking

LAMDA Examinations

* Distinction in Grade 5 of Solo/Duologue/Combined Acting
* Distinction in Grade 5 of Speaking Verse and Prose

**Full Clean Irish Driving License**

**Referees**

* Available on request.