**Emer Squires**

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**Profile**

LL.M graduate of Trinity College Dublin interested in corporate governance and commercial litigation. Has strong interpersonal skills gained through extensive study and two years legal work experience in criminal litigation, disability law and conveyancing. Can communicate with ease in difficult situations as has volunteered with the Centre for Disability Law and Policy. Speaks both conversational German and Irish. Excellent team player, eager to obtain a training contract in a dynamic and expanding corporate law firm.

**Education**

**Trinity College Dublin LL.M Law 2014-2015**

* Awarded 2.1 Degree: 68%
* Relevant Modules: White Collar and Regulatory Crime 72%, Medical Law 71%, Corporate Governance 70%, Employment Litigation 68%
* Thesis: ‘Trusts over the family home: A comparative analysis of the approaches adopted in specified commonwealth jurisdictions’, 65%

**NUIG**  **LL.B Law 2013-2014**

* Awarded 2.1 Degree: 67%
* Dissertation: ‘Are the exceptions to an interlocutory injunction so numerous that they threaten to swallow up the rule?’ 65%

**NUIG Bachelor of Corporate Law 2010-2013**

* Awarded 2.1 Degree: 64%
* Relevant Modules: Employment Relations 76%, Buyer Behaviour Analysis 70%, Environmental Law 68%, Banking Law 64%, International Trade Law 64%

**Competencies Developed**

Researched best practice regarding the methodology of my thesis. Communicated my research question in a clear and concise manner. Met thesis deadline by monitoring my progress throughout the year and prioritized England as the focus of my comparative analysis. Was motivated and driven to continuously improve upon degree results.

**Legal Work Experience**

**Olivia Traynor & Co. Solicitors Legal Intern** **Sept 2013-Aug 2014**

* Attended criminal and judicial review court hearings
* Participated in conferences with clients and barristers in terms of explaining the nature of the charge and the maximum punishment applicable
* Visited prisons and shadowed criminal investigation interviews
* Key Achievement: Successfully combined studying full time for my LL.B and interning during the academic year

**Centre for Disability Law, Policy Legal Advice Volunteer Sept 13-Aug 14**

* Offered free legal information once a month on employment and housing issues to those suffering from a disability
* Key Achievement: Dealt with clients from different social and medical backgrounds

**O’Donnell Waters Solicitors Legal Intern June-Aug 2013**

* Researched the Civil Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2013 for the firm
* Key Achievement: Worked on the Savita Halappanavar abortion case in terms of reviewing the file for discovery, organising documents and compiling legislation

**Competencies Developed**

Learnt to understand others and effectively relate to them at all levels. Analysed complex criminal law situations as a team. Developed an attention to detail by reviewing books of evidence and proof reading summons. Became self -assured and a confident decision maker when dealing with difficult clients.

**Commercial Work Experience**

**Joyces Supermarket, Galway Cashier**  **2010-2012**

* Learnt how a large business works and how to communicate effectively with colleagues and customers
* Grasped how to assimilate new information and adapt to a commercial environment
* Key Achievement: Worked part time whilst I completed my undergraduate degree

**Personal Achievements**

**LL.M Class Rep 2014-2015**

* Provided feedback to the Law School for the purpose of module evaluation
* Organised class parties, trips and nights out

**Secretary of NUIG’s Law Society Committee 2013-2014**

* Oversaw all communication and correspondence within the society
* Co- organised the Law Ball
* Personally invited the President of Ireland to receive an honouree life membership

**Awarded the NUI Galway Presidential Award for Volunteering 2013-2014**

* Achieved the ALIVE certificate for my role as secretary of the Law Society and my volunteer work, which is outlined below

**Ardilaun Youth Member of the Year 2013**

* Won three months free gym membership

**Competencies Developed**

Communicated new ideas and clarified objectives to my committee. Facilitated active participation at meetings by brainstorming ideas and writing them on a laminated board. Became creative and took risks when organising class parties.

**Interests and Activities**

**Running:**

* Runs twice weekly and has completed the Galway Bay 10k run three times

**Volunteering:**

* Suas Literacy Support: Completed twelve thirty minutes paired reading sessions with disadvantaged primary school children in Galway in 2014
* Cope: Participated in numerous bucket collections for the homeless and those suffering from domestic violence

**References**

Available on request