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OBJECTIVE

An ambitious and determined Law and Economics graduate, driven to train and become a wellrounded and adaptable corporate solicitor in the current dynamic world of business and law.

EDUCATION

LLB Law Plus with Economics | University of Limerick

2016 - 2020

Completed with strong First Class Honours. Economics has enabled me to couple my legal education with key knowledge of business operations and international economies.

Leaving Certificate | Seamount College Kinvara

2011 – 2016 Completed in 2016, with strong results in all Higher Level subjects.

EXPERIENCE

Judicial Intern | Office of the Chief Justice

JUN 2020

As a nominee of the University of Limerick, I was assigned to a judge of the Superior Courts to carry out legal research and attend virtual hearings before the courts, which also included daily case discussions with my assigned judge. This built confidence in my ability to carry out extensive legal research and voice a legal opinion on current matters arising before the courts.

Co-Op Student | A&L Goodbody

SEP 2018 – JAN 2019

Working on the Structured Finance and Capital Markets Team in the Banking Department, I was exposed to various types of commercial transactions. Duties included drafting Loan Sale Deeds, Board Minutes, Form C1s and Corporate Certificates amongst others. Working closely with a partner, I also engaged in vast Brexit, Fintech and securitisation research, as well as Pro-Bono work.

Co-Op Student | Horan & Son Solicitors

MAY 2018 - SEP 2018

As a mainly defence litigation firm for insurance claims, duties often included preparing briefs for counsel, translating legal documents from Irish to English, and attending consultations and court with solicitors. I was also able to gain an insight into areas such as conveyancing, probate and medical negligence.

Bar Supervisor | O' Looneys Bar & Restaurant

DEC 2016 – PRESENT

Responsible for supervision of junior staff. Designated key-holder and cash-handler of premises.



SKILLS

- Team Player I understand the importance of collaboration which in turn leads to success. These skills have been developed through sports, music, university and work. Working with a close-knit team within a large law firm significantly developed teamwork, communication and professional skills.
- Data Analysis Skills have been developed through the presentation of econometric data, with in-depth analyses of the economic performance of various countries.
- Adaptable Eager to engage in new and varied work, evidenced through previous experience and transferring client skills between sectors; from law to hospitality in both Ireland and the United States.

- Driven Constantly seeking to develop and improve myself and ensure that I am commercially aware and proactive in recognising changes in the legal and business sphere.
- Efficient Confident in taking on work and efficiently able to prioritise work to complete tasks in a timely and efficient manner.
- Attention to Detail A vital skill when carrying out any legal work, I strive to ensure that work is presented clearly, concisely and error free.
- IT Skills proficient in operating IT systems and have engaged in vigorous IT training with two law firms.

ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Sports** I have played hurling from a young age, and through this I have learned that achieving a common goal requires patience, determination and resilience.
- **Music** As an avid musician with a huge interest in Irish traditional music, I have competed, played and taught music to others with varying levels of competence. My teamwork skills have developed through group competitions, and also through my current membership of the Galway Traditional Orchestra.
- Languages I have a strong level of Irish and an intermediate level of French, which has been very useful in previous employment in both Ireland and the United States.
- L.A. Federal District Court Externship 2020 Nominated to represent the University of Limerick working in the Los Angeles courts for the summer of 2020, which was unfortunately cancelled due to restrictions.
- Linklaters Virtual Experience Programme Completed in September 2020.
- Arthur Cox Award Recipient of the 2019 Arthur Cox Contribution to University Life Award, which recognised not only my academic success but also my contribution to the university, most notably for sport, music and volunteering to give free legal aid to those at imminent risk of becoming homeless with Focus Ireland the Mercy Law Resource Centre.
- **President's Award** Five-time recipient of an award from UL President for academic success.

REFERENCES

Academic – Prof. Shane Kilcommins, Head of School of Law, University of Limerick shane.kilcommins@ul.ie Employer – Maeve Joyce Managing Partner, Horan & Son Solicitors, <u>info@horansolicitors.ie</u>