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EDUCATION:

UCD Bachelor of Civil Law 2.1 Degree / 3.5 GPA 2011-2015

Universiteit Antwerpen IELSP PG Diploma: Cum Laude (72%) 2013-2014

Leinster Senior College Leaving Certificate: 480 points 2009-2010

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Courts Service of Ireland Judicial Assistant April 2016 - Present As a Judicial Assistant to the High Court, my duties include legal research, proof-reading draft judgments, managing Chambers, attending court and liaising with Counsel and court staff on the Judge's behalf. I have also contributed to several of the Research Working Groups, which research the most pressing legal issues of the day. I have direct experience with court proceedings in numerous areas of the law, including, but not limited to, Chancery, Non-Jury Judicial Review, Family, Proceeds of Crime and Commercial.

Allied Legal Services Law Searcher Nov 2015 - April 2016
I performed due diligence checks for ALS's client base, which includes banks, government agencies, local authorities, sole practitioners and many of Ireland's leading law firms. I carried out Judgment, Bankruptcy, Civil Register, Planning, High Court, Deed, Land Registry and Probate Searches. ALS assisted in the advancement of Project Arrow and Project Oyster in this regard. My work on those projects provided direct insight into the kind of commercial transactions that Byrne Wallace often partake in.

UCD International Global Guide Sept 2014 - Nov 2015

I co-managed the Airport Welcome Desk, prepared the Global Lounge for events, dealt with student queries, helped organise international student accommodation, gave guided tours of UCD Campus and Dublin City and attended trips for international students. My duties expanded over time to include money collection and immigration assistance. I also worked as a Peer Exchange Advisor for prospective exchange students from Ireland.

KARE Central Services Legal Intern June 2014-Aug 2014

My duties in KARE, a charity for the mentally and intellectually disabled, involved:

- Searching for and organising property documents.
- Liaising with County Councils/HSE/mortgagors about documents for government grants.
- Analysing accounts data.
- Drawing up a summary and presentation on the new Standard of Recommended Practice and reviewing the obligations outlined under governance documents such as the Companies Acts, Charities Act 2009, new whistleblower legislation, Public Procurement policy and HSE/HIQA regulation.

This role was unpaid but I received a lump sum in the final week in recognition of my excellent work.

Universiteit Antwerpen

Student Worker

Oct 2013 - May 2014

SAWTY Citizenship School, Tunisia AIESEC Intern

June 2013-Aug 2013

- I learned about post-Arab-Spring Tunisia from local experts and then designed project work, focusing specifically on how what we learned relates to our experiences in Ireland.
- I travelled around the country, meeting with Tunisian young people, to promote civic engagement and participation in the democratic process.
- I participated in various events, including an interview with Tunisian parliamentarians about the economy, local business structures the new Constitution and the country.

This initiative is now part of the Red and White Project, which is run in association with the British Council and Doctors Without Borders.

Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise Banqueting Staff May 2012 - June 2013

Shelbourne Hotel Bar Back (Holiday staff) Nov 2011 - Jan 2012

Internships

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Dec 2017 Article on Judicial Reasoning to be published in the Irish Judicial Studies
 Journal. I am also currently working on an article regarding the operation of the
 consumer defence in summary proceedings, which will be published next year.
- Oct 2015 2016 Sat and passed all 8 FE1 exams.
- April 2015 Earned a Diploma Supplement in Skills for Working Life from UCD Career Development Centre
- August 2014 Established UCD's first Model United Nations Conference, which we hosted in February 2015.
- 2011-2013 Represented Ireland on the Irish Junior Bridge team.
- February 2008 Became a fully qualified lifeguard with the Royal Lifesaving Society.
- July 2006 Earned Grade B for my project with the Centre for Talented Youth of Ireland

INTERESTS:

Volunteering: For my Silver and Bronze Gaisce awards, I volunteered in Oakdale Nursing Home. I assisted in caring for the residents, including walking with them into town, serving meals, working reception and running events. I also participated in Amnesty UCD events and am in the process of qualifying to volunteer at an LGBT+ helpline.

Debate: Chair and Chairperson of UCD Model United Nations and participant in Antwerp MUN. Active member of UCD Student Legal Service(SLS) from 2011-2015. Won the SLS Negotiation Competition 2014 and judged the 2015 event.

IT: Proficient in the use of MS Word, Excel, Powerpoint and their Apple Mac counterparts. Due to my work history, I am also familiar with the use of various Irish legal databases.

REFEREES:

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