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**James Leahy**

**PERSONAL PROFILE**

I am a hardworking & ambitious individual. I have strong interpersonal skills due to my work with the Student Council, Ceannaire (Head Boy), Class Representative on the Student’s Union in UCC and as Public Relations Officer of FLAC UCC. I have come to understand that team work & communication are two indispensable qualities everyone should possess. I am dedicated to achieving a successful career in law.

**EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK 2013-2017

BCL – Clinical

First Year Result: 2H2(57%) Second Year Result: 2H2(58%) Third Year Result: 2H1(61%)

**Modules Studied**

1st Year: Contract, Criminal, Torts, Dlí Bunreachtúil (Constitutional Law through Irish)

2nd Year: Medical Law, Commercial, Property, EU, Consumer Behaviour, Business Ethics

3rd Year: Year: Work Placement, Research Projects & Presentations

4th Year: Company, Evidence, Equity, Moot, Sports Law, Sports Law Clinic, Admin Law

COLÁISTE ÍDE & IOSEF 2013

Abbeyfeale, Limerick.

Leaving Certificate: 460 points, including B2(H) French, B2(H) Chemistry.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

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Mahon Point, Cork Position: Intern

Departments Worked in: Property, Banking, General & Commercial Litigation, Healthcare

Duties and Responsibilities:

* Researching areas of law and providing a summary of my findings.
* Communicating with clients on behalf of solicitors.
* Observing solicitors on cases and in the courts.
* Directly helping solicitors on a particular project or case.
* Organising case files & preparing documents to be sworn.

Skills I have learned from this experience:

* Motivated than ever before to succeed in my legal career.
* Developed an increase in commercial awareness.
* Taking large volumes of law and distilling into key points.
* Improved on communication and interpersonal skills.

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Killarney Road, Abbeyfeale, Limerick Position: Sales Assistant

Duties & Responsibilities:

* Greeting customers & assisting them find the goods & products they are looking for.
* Responsible for security within the store & being on the lookout for shoplifters & fraudulent credit cards.
* Receiving & storing the delivery of large amounts of stock.
* Handling payments & customer refunds.

**INTERESTS & ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Skills:**

Researching legislation, case law, academic commentary & navigating about legal databases.

Excellent communicator, team player and I possess business acumen.

**Leadership Roles:**

*Public Relations Officer* for the Free Legal Advice Centre(FLAC) Society in UCC:

* Delegated tasks to the sub-committee, attended weekly committee meetings, designed posters and flyers, advertised events through social media.

*Class Representative* for my UCC Law Clinical class 2013/2014:

* Organised meetings and liaised with Personal Tutor, Dorothy Applebe.

Elected *Ceannaire*(Head Boy) of Coláiste Íde agus Iosef for 2012-2013.

* Represented the school on formal occasions, participated on committees, spoke at school gatherings, role model for younger students.

*Chairperson* of the Student Council in Coláiste Íde agus Iosef in 2012:

* Chaired Student Council meetings, Organised several charity events.

**Sport:**

Member of Fr. Casey’s GAA Club since 2004 and Glantine Football Club since 2011.

Winners of Premier Minor County Championship 2013 & Junior West Championship 2014.

Player of the Year 2012 for Glantine Football Club.

**Voluntary:**

Keen interest in charitable organisations Irish Cancer Society & FLAC UCC.

Chief organiser in fundraiser for classmates heading abroad for charity work.

Chief organiser in raising over €1,200 for the Irish Cancer Society in secondary school.

**Public Speaking:**

Enjoy public speaking and debating.

Runner up All Ireland Gael Linn Irish Debating in 2011.

**Referees:**

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