***CURRICULUM VITAE:***

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***PERSONAL STATEMENT***

I am an enthusiastic, motivated and hardworking Post Graduate student with a strong commercial acumen. I have good interpersonal skills and work well operating amongst a team when matters are delegated. I have an appetite to learn and am eager to extend my professional knowledge and expertise. For this reason, I am currently seeking employment opportunities and would love to take up a position as an intern.

***EDUCATION:***

***University College Dublin, Economics & Politics, Bachelor of Arts: 2011-2014***

***3rd Year Subjects & Grades :***

* Transport Economics A
* Information Behaviour A
* Politics & Policy of the EU A
* Integration, Fragmentation Global System B
* International Justice B
* Urban and Regional Economics B
* Information Design B
* International Money and Banking C
* International Trade Economics C
* Economics of Public Policy C
* Conflict & Settlement in Northern Ireland C
* Microeconomics D

***2nd Year Subjects & Grades:***

* Millennium Development Goals A
* Economic History B
* European Economy B
* Theories in International Relations B
* Macroeconomics C
* Economic Policy Analysis C
* Irish Economy Studies C
* Approach & Analysis of Politics C
* Statistics for Economics D
* Individuals & the State D
* Comparative Politics II D
* Quantitative Economics D
* Microeconomics D

***1st Year Subjects & Grades:***

* Environmental Change B
* Earth Systems: C
* Politics of Great Nations C
* Intro to Political Theory C
* Principles of Macroeconomics C
* Intro to Irish Politics D
* Principles of Microeconomics D
* Economics & Society D
* Geography of Cities D
* Contemporary Human Geography D
* Intro to International Policies D

***Blackrock College Secondary School: 2005 – 2011***

***Leaving Certificate Subjects & Grades:***

* Economics (H) B2
* Business(H) B3
* History (H) C2
* English (H) C2
* Geography (H) C2
* Irish (O) C3
* French (O) C3
* Maths (O) D2

***WORK EXPERIENCE*:**

***Fifth Year Secondary School Work Experience Program, Chambers of Martin Hayden, Senior Counsel, No. 1 Arran Square, Arran Quay, Dublin 7; October 2009***

During fifth year I completed my work experience in the chambers of Martin Hayden, SC. Mr Hayden is regarded as one of the best barristers in Ireland and he allowed me to attend court with him and sit in on cases within his professional remit. This included applications for various court orders and I was afforded the opportunity to sit in on cases that involved both Mr Hayden and other barristers offering submissions, leading witnesses in giving evidence and cross examination of witnesses. Furthermore, I attended on him during meetings/consultations with various parties he was representing.

This experience offered me a great deal of exposure within the legal field from a barrister’s perspective. I became aware of just how fast paced this field of work can be and just how narrow the margin for error is when a matter is being litigated.

***Pod Entertainment Limited July-August 2011***

* Liasing with Bands and other Artists who would be performing live at various music venues including Electric Picnic and Tripod Nightclub, this involved meeting the Artists on their arrival in Dublin
* Bringing them to there accomadation
* Booking resteraunts and insuring there timely arrival for their performance
* Looking after the general well being of the artists

***Employment as a Paralegal at John B. O’ Connor & Co. Solicitors, 37 Upper Mount Street, Dublin January 2015 – September 2015.***

Having completed my final examinations at University College Dublin, I began working as a paralegal at the above named general practice. This role offered me a broad scope of experience within the legal field at an assistant level. As such, I carried out the following tasks on a daily basis:

* Attending meetings with clients and Counsel
* Photocopying affidavits and exhibits, in addition to other legal documents, in preparation for filing in the necessary Court Office
* Stamping court documents with the pre requisite fee in Aras Ui Dhalaigh
* Filing court documents in the District, Circuit and High Court
* Collecting Court Orders
* Photocopying and binding documentation in the preperation of briefs for Counsel in respect of various litigation matters
* Preparing Booklets of title for a multi-unit Development
* Collating documentation for the closing of sales
* Dealing with banks re Deeds of discharge

Working as a paralegal was extremely beneficial. The role offered me a great deal of exposure in respect of the basic steps involved in subjecting a matter to litigation before the courts. Moreover, I earned an understanding of the way a general practice operates on a day to day basis. This included attending consultations with clients and third parties.

***HOBBIES & INTERESTS:***

***Sport:***

I have a keen interest in sport. Throughout my time at Willow Park and Blackrock College I played schoolboys rugby and represented the school. I have continued to play throughout college as a team member of Stradbrook Rugby Club. Moreover, I am an avid tennis player and represented Elm Park tennis club at inter-club tennis. I also play five a side football in UCD.

***Charity Work:***

I was active in a charitable capacity during my time at school. During fifth year I attended on members of a retirement home community. This involved reading to them, accompanying them on walks and merely engaging in conversation with them to break up the day. I found this very rewarding as some of the people living in the retirement home had no other members of family. In November 2015 I helped with the Blackrock College Christmas Tree Shop. This charity is run by Blackrock College on a yearly basis and the proceeds of sale from the Christmas Trees are donated to St. Vincent de Paul.

***REFERENCES:***

1. Eoin Dennehy,

Former Manager of Blackrock College Christmas Tree Shop and Rugby Coach

Contact Number: 0861961434

1. Martin Hayden,

Senior Counsel, 1 Arran Square, Arran Quay, Dublin 7

Contact Number: 8722238

1. Jason Kelly,

Solicitor at John B. O’Connor & Co. Solicitors, 37 Upper Mount Street, Dublin 2.

Contact Number: 6760011

1. John Reynolds - 80 Dame Street, Dublin 2,

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