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**Personal Statement**

Adaptable and versatile with strong communication and organisational skills gained through paid and voluntary work experience. Ability to work to own initiative and also enjoy leading and working as part of a team. Currently enrolled in postgraduate degree programme, **Masters in Common Law**, University College Dublin, expected completion date 2019.

**Education**

**University College Dublin, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin, Ireland** (2017 – 2019)

Masters in Common Law (3.43 GPA) (recently commenced my second year)

**Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario** (2015-2016) – International Exchange Student

**University College Dublin, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin, Ireland** (2013-2017)

Bachelor of Arts (International) in Economics, Politics and International Relations. Graduated with 2nd Class Honours, Grade 1 (3.43 GPA). Obtained a 1st Class Honours in final year (3.80 GPA). Final year modules included International Money and Banking, Economics of Public Policy, Healthcare Economics, Behavioural Economics, International Political Economy, Terrorism and Political Violence, Middle East Politics, Social Psychology and International Relations, Integration, Fragmentation and the Global State.

**Coláiste Éanna Secondary School,** **Ballyroan, Dublin 14, Ireland** (2007-2013)

**Relevant Work and Voluntary Experience**

**Letters Officer, Member of the Editorial Board of the UCD Law Review** – October 2018 - Present

I was appointed to the Editorial Board for Volume 19 of the UCD Law Review on 5 October 2018. I believe that being on the Editorial Board will allow me to further develop my interest in the law generally. I anticipate that the wide range of subject matters I will encounter from submissions will greatly benefit and improve my legal knowledge.

**Internship, Clark Hill Solicitors (formerly Galligan Johnston Solicitors)** – June 2018 - Present

I have worked in various departments, including Litigation, Commercial, Property and Personal Injuries. I have been provided with a wide range tasks and assignments including, but not limited to, drafting letters to clients, writing blog posts on developments in the legal world and the obtaining of relevant documentation for cases. I have been brought to the courts to watch judgments on ongoing cases. This internship has helped to develop my legal writing and ability to interact with clients in a professional environment.

**LLMs & MCL Class Representative, University College Dublin Student Union** – October 2017 – May 2018

A role which has helped me develop communication skills, being the link between my

classmates and the UCDSU with responsibility for organising social activities for over sixty

people.

**Sales Representative, Virgin Mobile Canada** – July 2017 to August 2017

Working in retail helped to develop my professionalism and ability to interact with clients in a fast-paced, perpetually changing environment. Gained an appreciation of clear career advancement lines within a large organisation. Given keys to the store after three weeks, responsible for opening, locking and ensuring safety of luxury items in the store.

**Marketing Director, Science ’44 Kingston Student Housing Co-operative** - January 2016 to May 2016

Exhibited organisational skills by managing an open house event. Active Board member in relation to administrative tasks, responsibilities and decisions. Pursued different and creative avenues for marketing to include establishing a bigger online presence for the co-op. Previously responsible for general kitchen duties and monitoring of car park in 2015 (Semester 1).

**Junior Accountant – NAV Oversight Team and Liquidation Support – Brophy Gillespie, Chartered Accountants, Milltown, Dublin 14** - June 2013 to August 2015

Assisted with weekly and month end check/review of NAV calculations on behalf of the Investment Manager before prices were released to investors by the Administrator. Assisted with the administration and ultimate finalisation of more than 50 liquidations (Members’ and Creditors’), and was part of a High Court Liquidation team, in addition to performing routine accounting support work. My job was very sociable and interaction with clients was an integral part of the experience. I developed an appreciation for technical and professional writing and correspondence and honed my organisational skills. I obtained good working experience of Microsoft Office Suite (particularly Excel).

**Skills, Interests and Achievements**

* Multi-instrumentalist, have played guitar and piano for over a decade, having taken professional lessons in both
* Keenly interested in literature and creative writing
* Gaelic Football and Hurling with Ballyboden St. Enda’s
* Highly-skilled in the use of computers and the Internet; including Microsoft Office Suite, troubleshooting computer software and hardware
* Currently competing in McCann Fitzgerald Student Legal Service Negotiation Competition in University College Dublin
* Economics Class Representative, University College Dublin Student Union (September 2013 to May 2014)
* Chairperson of Student Council, Coláiste Éanna Secondary School (2011-2013)
* Valedictorian Orator for Coláiste Éanna Secondary School Graduation
* Volunteered in schools and hospices in Calcutta, India as part of Coláiste Éanna’s biannual India Immersion Project (2012)
* Captain of Coláiste Éanna Debating Team (2011-2013)

**Referees**

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