**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Education;**

* 2014 to present; Bachelor of Law with Social Justice in University College Dublin.
* Current GPA: 2.1.
* Relevant Modules; Company Law, Property Law, Employment Law, Administrative Law, Family Law, Consumer Law, Environmental Law, Public Interest Law.
* 2008-2014; Mount Sackville Secondary School.
* Leaving Certificate 2014; 510 points, including A1 in honours English.

**Work Experience**

* **ERVIA** Irish Water Legal Department summer 2017. I worked as a summer intern in the company, mainly involved in the areas of Procurement and Data Protection.
* **Stewart’s Law Firm,** London summer 2014. I shadowed a solicitor in the Personal Injuries department of this firm for a week. Despite my young age and lack of experience in this area, the firm were impressed with my passion for law and eagerness to gain some practical experience and so offered me this internship alongside other recent university graduates.
* **Criminal Courts,** under Mr Maurice Coffey QC summer 2012. I shadowed Mr Coffey in the Central Criminal Courts and gained an invaluable insight into advocacy and the operations of the court.
* **15 New Bridge Street Chambers**, London, under Ms Helen McCormack summer 2013. I shadowed Ms McCormack throughout a criminal trial in St Alban’s Crown Court. Not only did I learn the role of the defence barrister, but I also learned about client and barrister relations.
* **The Department for Transport, Tourism and Sport** under Minister Leo Varadkar, January 2012. Despite my passions lying with law, I felt it would be an invaluable experience to gain a full understanding into the role of a Minister, as fundamentally it is these individuals who have the power to shape the law that we practice.

**Employment History**

* **The Butler’s Pantry Castleknock.** April 2016 – Present. Position – Sales Assistant.
* **UCD Champions Appeal.** January 2016 – March 2016. Position – Student Caller.
* **Lifestyle Sports Dundrum.** April 2015 – December 2015. Position – Sales Assistant.
* **Eurospar Hartstown/Capitol Stores.** September 2014 – January 2015. Position – Sales Assistant.
* **National Aquatic Centre.** Summer 2014. Position – Lifeguard.

**Interests and Achievements**

* Debating. Leinster Finalist in the Leinster Schools Debating Schools Competition 2013 and 2014. I was Mount Sackville senior debating champion in 2014 and received the ‘Demosthenes Award’ for my contribution to debating throughout my secondary school years. I am an extremely comfortable and confident public speaker.
* Swimming. I swam competitively throughout my early teens and at my peak I was an All-Ireland Finalist for the 100m Freestyle event.
* As my CV portrays I am an incredibly hardworking individual, I have impeccable timekeeping skills and maintain high standards in all my areas of work. I enjoy working as part of a team but do not lack the confidence to work alone. I feel I would make a great contribution to any company.

**References**

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