LISA OWENS

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**EDUCATION:**

**2020-2022: Masters in Common Law, Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin**

Current GPA: 3.63, modules include Advanced Property Law, Advanced EU Constitutional Law, Advanced Contract Law, Advanced Tort Law, Advanced Constitutional Law, Advanced Criminal Law, Advanced Equity Law, Data Protection and Privacy, Advanced Company Law

**2017-2020: Bachelor of Arts History, University College Dublin**

Overall Grade: 3.66 GPA, Dissertation ‘The Female Experience of the First World War’

**2009-2017: Leaving Certificate, Loreto Abbey Dalkey**

Overall Grade: 454 points: History, Biology, English, Spanish, Irish, Maths, Art

Sixth Year Prefect, Debating, Charity Work, Justice and Peace Committee

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

**September 2021-Present: Barry O’Donnell Solicitors, Legal Intern**

* Experience in a busy general practice. Part-time Internship conducted alongside academic studies.
* This position required adaptability to work in different practice areas and provided an opportunity to use my academic studies in hands-on environment.
* Experience in Commercial Corporate Law ensured a great understanding of how real-world issues underpin Commercial life in Ireland.

**July-August 2021: Cahir O’Higgins & Co Solicitors, Legal Intern**

* Experience focused on Criminal Law. Each client had their needs met by ensuring they were briefed with court dates and brought up to date with the status of their ongoing charges.
* This position was full-time and required a great deal of legal research, intercultural intelligence, patience and quick learning.
* A great deal of responsibility was handed down quickly and position success revolved around personal initiative and effective engagement with Solicitors, Barristers and co-workers.

**2017-2020: Bistro Ragazzi, Floor Manager**

* Progressed from daytime staff member to a Senior Floor Manager overseeing the service of 60-80 customers nightly.
* Position success revolved around staff management, initiative and strong interpersonal skills in a fast-paced environment.
* Autonomously created a very successful online social media presence. Acted as a key member ensuring a transition from a day-time café to an award-winning restaurant.

**2014-2017: Loreto Dalkey Hockey Camp, Camp Manager**

* As part of a team of two, ran a two-week sports camp for 6–13-year-old children.
* The two-weeks of this camp was the accumulation of 3 months consistent work. Coach recruitment, camp advertisement and participant sign up.
* Management of payments and garda-vetting process. Camp profits contributed over €10,000 towards building houses with Habitat for Humanity.

**2016: Maguire McClafferty Solicitors, Legal Assistant**

* General practice, insight into Property Law (conveyancing procedures), personal injury litigation and client meetings.
* Preparation of files for private clients for court. Role required resilience and flexibility in order to be able have an understanding of how the needs of a client are met.

**VOLUNTARY:**

**2020-Present: UCD Student Legal Services**

* Four weeks training program, ad-hoc student queries related to landlord disputes, employee entitlements and consumer protection.
* Clinic volunteering required interviewing studies with legal queries, conducting relevant research and transferring this legal information back to the student.
* Contributor to the SLS weekly newsletter; case note on *Aberken Limited Trading as Sinnotts v FBD Insurance PLC.*

**2018-2020: UCD History Society, Elected Committee Member**

* Commitment to weekly general meetings.
* Co-ordinated events and travel abroad over two years to cities including Lisbon, Riga, Bucharest, and Belfast. Acquired one-year sponsorship from Boyne Valley Group; provision of products and vouchers worth over €5,000.
* A critical part of the role was budget management. Planned, prepared and negotiated University Society grants.

**SKILLS/STRENGTHS:**

* Emotional intelligence
* Interpersonal skills
* Self-motivated
* Intercultural intelligence
* Research
* Problem solving

**REFERENCES:**

**Academic Reference**

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