

MILENA LAVINIA ARMENE

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Education

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- Maynooth University - LLB** 2014-2018
• Results: First year- 68.2%; Second year- 66.1%; Third year- 66.2%; Fourth year- pending
- Preston College, United Kingdom** 2012-2014
• Foundation Degree in English and Mathematics
- National College GH. R. Codreanu, Romania - Baccalaureate Diploma** 2008-2012
• Overall Grade- 8.48/10 (Irish Leaving Certificate equivalent: 495 points)
• Subjects: History, Geography, Romanian Language, English and Computer Science

Legal Experience

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- Legal Intern - Director of Public Prosecutions** Jul. 2017-Sep. 2017
• Worked on a national research project for Senator Bacik; examined over 200 cases; analysed the application of separate legal representation and its implication on the outcome of the cases.
• Designed a case management system to facilitate efficient and concise data gathering.
• Communicated with prosecuting solicitors to explore key details on legal arguments brought forward by the defence; compared judge's response in similar cases.
• Attended a full trial in the Central Criminal Court; shadowed the prosecution team while they prepared the case against the accused and assisted with the trial procedures, evidence and voir-dire.
- Legal Assistant - Popa & Co. Law Firm** Feb. 2017-Pres.
• Enhanced interpersonal skills by liaising with clients, barristers, and legal bodies such as the Personal Injuries Board and Workplace Relations Commission.
• Developed strong negotiation and litigation skills when determining liability and potential compensation.
• Assisted senior management during client meetings by providing key legal opinions on the substantive and procedural law.
• Enhanced my problem-solving skills by consulting clients on civil law claims; anticipated potential issues and advised on alternative routes for settlement or mediation.
- Legal Research Intern - Criminal Courts** Jun. 2016 -Sep. 2016
• Improved my legal written skills by producing reports which analysed niche sections relating to non-fatal offences for the publishing of the new "Non-Fatal Offences: Law and Practice" book and court hearings.
• Enhanced attention to detail when researching the relevant law for the issue at hand.
• Developed an agile and methodical thought process by working in a fast-paced environment and improved the ability to efficiently analyse and synthesise substantial amounts of information.

Volunteering and Extra-curricular Activities

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- "I welcome Refugees" Ambassador - Amnesty International** Sep. 2017- Pres.
• Campaigning for refugees right to work; currently launching a new local group at Maynooth University.
- European Law Students' Association ("ELSA")** Sep. 2016-Pres.
• Nominated society Vice-president and currently in charge of coordinating the 2018 International Moot Court Competition in Ireland. Supervising the entire application process, including liaising with potential corporate sponsors, recruiting judges and applicants.
• Co-Head of the Competition Committee. Organised one of the largest European Summer Law Schools in Europe with more than 50 participants; recruited 15 lecturers; prepared the lecture schedule and social programme for a week.
- I-CANN Advocate - Preston, England** Sep. 2012-Sep. 2014
• Defended the elderly and people with disabilities against unfair treatment, excessive and unreasonable benefit assessment.

Awards and Hobbies

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- Exceptional Employee Award** by Hilton Garden Inn Dublin Aug. 2015
- Innovative Students Award** by Maynooth University Dec. 2015

Moot Court Competitions

- ELSA International Competition (2nd place)
DCU National Moot Court Competition (5th place)

Hobbies

- Bouldering; Dancing