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**PROFILE**
Having recently completed my Law degree, I am seeking a job in a legal environment. The opportunity to practice, as well as gain experience and knowledge in the areas of commercial and property law, being major interests of mine, would prove invaluable, as well as allow me to fully demonstrate my ability to thrive in a challenging, fast-paced legal environment.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**The Department of Social Protection; 2012 (May-September), 2014 (May-September)**

Temporary clerical officer for  the Irish Government in the Department of Social Protection's External Control Unit.

Role entailed the examination of child benefit claims and using discretion in determining
whether such claims should be terminated.

Calculated and organised payment plans for citizens in debt to the Irish Government.

Undoubtedly enhanced my organisational skills, as well as my ability to take control and
 use initiative  in dealing with such delicate and important issues.

The trusting position has allowed me to further my leadership skills, as well as self-
 confidence in the use of my own judgement in making vital decisions.

**Terence Sweeney Solicitors - (February-March 2011)**

Work experience in the functioning of legal databases, case files and the opportunity to shadow a solicitor in court proceedings.

Developed my knowledge of the actualities of the workings of a solicitors firm on a daily basis and allowed me to adopt a sense of professionalism which proves necessary when dealing with the public.

**Arete Events Company (June 2015-August 2015)**

Worked for one of the largest events staffing companies in Chicago on J1 Working Visa.

Role entailed working at a multitude of events, from hosting VIP events in Chicago's largest stadium 'Soldier Field' to the handling and distribution of money, to bartending.

Was asked by the Director of the company to work at the PGA Tour in State of Wisconsin
 to host a party of 200+ businessmen and women with all expenses paid, as a reward for my efforts.

Enhanced my self-belief and confidence, and provided me with the perfect opportunity to
handle myself in a highly professional capacity with success.

**EDUCATION**

Rosses Community School 2006-2012

National University of Galway; 2012-2015
*Bachelor of Civil Law, 2nd Class Honours Degree (2.1)*

**ADDITIONAL SKILLS**

Computer literate with sound knowledge of Microsoft packages, notable experience with Word, Powerpoint, Excel and databases.

Highly analytical thinker

Goal driven leader who maintains a productive climate

Highly motivated self-starter who takes initiative with minimal supervision.

**INTERESTS**

Extremely keen Soccer and  Gaelic player, being Captain of my soccer team throughout underage football. I also enjoy golf and I'm a member of the Cruit Golf club.

Enjoy travelling, sporting activities in general, and learning about new cultures, lifestyles and languages.

 References available on request