**Olivia Hegarty**

### Education and Qualifications

**October 2015: Law Society of Ireland Entrance Exams:**

Awaiting exam results on the following five Final Examination Part 1 (FE-1) subjects:

* Law of Tort
* Contract Law
* Equity Law
* Criminal Law
* Property Law

**2013-2014: LL.M (International, European and Comparative Law), Trinity College Dublin.**

Second Class Honours Grade One (2.1)

* Advanced European Union Law(68%);
* Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution (67%);
* Islamic Law (67%);
* EU Aviation Law (67%);
* Chinese Legal System in Comparative Perspective (63%);
* Freedom of Expression and Intellectual Property (61%);

This included a dissertation entitled: "Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide: A Comparative Analysis" which obtained a mark of 65% (2:1).

**2010– 2013:** **Bachelor of Civil Law, University College Cork.**

Second Class Honours Grade One (2.1)

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| **Year 1** |  |
| Introduction to the Legal System | 66% |
| Contract Law | 60% |
| Criminal Law | 58% |
| Constitutional Law | 57% |
| Law of Torts | 54% |
| Legal Research and Writing  **Year 2** | PASS |
| Law of the European Union | 70% |
| Public International Law | 63% |
| Administrative Law | 60% |
| Law of Evidence | 60% |
| Property Law | 54% |
| Legal Skills and Analysis | PASS |
| **Year 3**  Revenue Law II | 71% |
| Family Law | 67% |
| Jurisprudence | 67% |
| Banking Law | 65% |
| Revenue Law I | 63% |
| Company Law:Theory and Regulation | 60% |
| Law of Equity | 57% |
| Moot Court | PASS |

**2004-2010:** **Mercy Heights Secondary School, Skibbereen, Co. Cork.**

**Leaving Certificate Results** 490 points All subjects taken at higher level:

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| English | A1 |
| History | A2 |
| Spanish | B2 |
| Irish | B3 |
| Biology | B3 |
| Geography | B3 |
| Maths | C1 |

### Employment/Work Experience

**October 2015-Present: Denis O’ Driscoll & Associates Solicitors, Skibbereen, Co. Cork**

* Paralegal working on €26 million case which will be heard in November 2015.
* Indexing and compiling contract variation documents, including pleadings, as well as tracking and sourcing testimonies from witnesses and experts.
* This experience has enhanced my knowledge of arbitration and dispute resolution, stimulating my interest in the area.

**September 2014-August 2015 State Street Transfer Agency (International Financial Data Services), Redmond’s Hill, Dublin 2:**

* Placed as an Associate within the Invesco Global Asset Management Commissions Team, responsible for processing Trailer Fees (Renewal Commission) and Front Load End fees (Initial Commission) directly to brokers who promote investment within the Invesco Offshore Global Product Range.
* Daily tasks included processing funding of up to USD$100million per quarter, producing statements, inputting commission contracts, making adhoc payments, performing recalculations, producing monthly and quarterly data files for Invesco.
* Performed due diligence/AML checks when updating the broker registrar and setting up broker mandates, while ensuring compliance with regulatory guidelines.
* Carried out work aligned with new fund launches/mergers/liquidations in a timely and accurate manner.
* Provided assistance during audits, reconciling outstanding credit in the commissions account.
* Awarded Annual AML Recertification, as well as receiving FATCA overview training.
* Was awarded significant levels of responsibility in this role, interacting with representatives from Invesco offices worldwide on a daily basis.

**January 2014-August 2014: Kane & McCarthy Supervalu, Killester, Dublin 3**

* Worked part time at this busy supermarket while studying for my LL.M at Trinity College Dublin.
* Experience at Super Valu has equipped me with enhanced communication, time management and adaptation skills, with the ability to balance work, education and leisure in an efficient manner.

**July 2013-August 2013: Barry M. O’ Meara’s & Sons:**

* Interned in this general practice for six weeks.
* Drafted correspondence to counsel.
* Conducted research pending a hearing before the Employment Appeals Tribunal.
* Compiled Land Registry documents.
* Took minutes at client meetings.
* Entrusted to order and collect pleading documents as required.
* This experience allowed me to hone in on my skills in legal writing, analysis and research.

**January 2007 – March 2013: Fields Super Valu, Skibbereen, Co. Cork.:**

* Provided professional customer care and service at all times, dealt with queries and complaints, track and source selective items for customers, assisting in any way to ensure a pleasant shopping experience.
* Trained to work on tills, deli, confectionary counter, shop office and coffee shop.
* Responsible for closing store at night.
* Responsible for ensuring the cash float and credit card details were stored in the safe. .
* Received 100% on two occasions when the store was visited by “Mystery Shopper.”

**June 2010- June 2010: Morgan O’ Driscoll’s Fine Art and Antiques, Skibbereen, Co. Cork:**

* Provided assistance during busy auctions, co-ordinating internet and phone bids.
* This experience taught me to think promptly and act responsively within a fact paced environment.

### Activities, Skills and Interests

**Languages:**

* **Spanish:** Participated in an Intermediate Spanish Skills course run by Liffey College, Dublin 8 in 2015.Visited Cuba in 2015, which was a wonderful opportunity to advance my oral Spanish skills.
* **Italian:** In 2011, I volunteered as an Au Pair in Udine, Italy, for six weeks. Received a comprehensive training on basic Italian in Skibbereen prior to my departure. This experience enabled me to become an independent, adaptable and resourceful individual.
* **French**: Earned an A at Junior Cert Level.

**IT Skills:**

* Completed inhouse MS Excel course in October 2015 at State Street.
* Excellent knowledge of all Microsoft Office applications.

**UCC Free Legal Advice Centre (FLAC):**

* Member since 2010. Elected to the Committee as PRO for the year 2011/2012. Raised awareness of services available to UCC students through social media and advertising.
* Provided legal advice to students on a weekly basis, as supervised by a qualified practitioner.

**UCC Law Society:**

* Sponsorship officer for the annual UCC Student Law Conference in 2011 and 2012.
* This required negotiating sponsorship from local businesses in exchange for advertising at the largest student run law conference in Ireland.
* Recruited sponsors such as Bank of Ireland, William Fry Solicitors, The Irish Examiner, The Cork Chamber of Commerce and the River Lee Hotel.

**UCC Suas Society:**

* Elected as fundraising officer for the society.
* Organised a variety of events, such as themed club nights, pub quizzes and cake sales.
* Organised Suas "Shamrocks for Schools." This involved raising money for the charity by face painting on the streets of Cork on St. Patrick's Day. I was responsible for recruiting sufficient numbers of volunteers and organizing the deployment plan for the volunteers.
* Our fundraising efforts exceeded the previous year's amount.
* Received acclaim from the Students Union in University College Cork.

**Music:**

* Regularly participated in the annual County Fleadh Cheoil, namely in fiddle and flute competitions.
* Secretary of Skibbereen Comhaltas Og Club 2006-2007; Chairperson of Skibbereen Comhaltas Og Club 2007-2008.
* Selected to travel to St. Louis, Missouri in 2006 as part of a cultural exchange between Skibbereen Comhaltas and St. Louis Irish Arts.

**Hobbies:**

* Attend Pilates on a weekly basis.
* When in West Cork, I enjoy kayaking, swimming and hiking.
* Member of An Uileann West Cork Art Centre.
* Enjoy reading, cinema, politics and theatre.

**References**

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