**Curriculum Vitae**

**Personal Details:**

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**Education:**

**Primary:** Coolick National School (2002-2010)

**Secondary:** St. Brendan’s College Killarney (2010- 2015)

**Third- Level:** University College Cork (2015- 2019)

**Qualifications**

* UCC BCLC Law (Clinical) Graduate 2019 (Level 8)
* Leaving Certificate 2015
* Junior Certificate 2013

**Examinations:**

**Leaving Certificate 2015:** 525 points studying English, Irish, Maths, French, Accounting, Business Studies and Biology.

**College Results:**

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| **Subject**  | **Result** | **Grade** | **Subject**  | **Result**  | **Grade**  | **Subject**  | **Result** | **Grade** |
| Foundations of the Legal System | 70% | 1H1 | Law of Evidence I | 68% | 2H1 | Principles of Public International law  | 76% | 1H1 |
| Law of Torts I | 70% | 1H1 | EU Law II | 61% | 2H1 | Law of Equity I | 68% | 2H1 |
| Fundamental Rights | 60% | 2H1 | Law of Property I | 65% | 2H1 | Financial Services: Law and Regulation | 68% | 2H1 |
| Constitutional Law | 67% | 2H1 | Company Law I | 70% | 1H1 | Advanced Legal Reasoning | 68% | 2H1 |
| Law of Torts II | 67% | 2H1 | Law of Evidence II | 68% | 2H1 | Sports Law | 62% | 2H1 |
| EU Law I | 67% | 2H1 | Law of Property II | 66% | 2H1 | Public International Law II | 70% | 2H1 |
| Criminal Law | 63% | 2H1 | Public Admin | 58% | 2H2 | Law of Equity II | 63% | 2H1 |
| Law of Contract | 67% | 2H1 | Company Law II | 60% | 2H1 | Income Tax Law | 70% | 1H1 |
| Clinical Placement  | 66% | 2H1 | Banking Law  | 65% | 2H1 | Jurisprudence  | 66% | 2H1 |

**Final Year (Degree)** **Grade**: **68**% **(2H1**) **Total Average:**  **66% (2H1)**

**FE1 Examinations Completed and Passed:** Tort, EU Law, Law of Equity and Trusts, Property, Contract

**FE1 Examinations Completed and Awaiting Results:** Company Law, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law

**Career History:**

**Byrne Wallace Solicitors (January 2020- Present)**

Employed as a legal secretary in various different legal departments before being seconded to the Environmental Protection Agency as a conduit, managing open case files and focusing on client relations

* Tasked with various administrative roles including filing, preparing briefs billing and legal research
* Assisted in developing a client Sharepoint portal to manage communications and open case files between firm and client, streamlining correspondence and workload between
* Gained first-hand experience in client relations, and substantive issues in agreeing financial provisions for Environmental liabilities requiring by EPA guidance such as bonds, insurance and secured funds
* Aided in developing protocols and procedures for how firm liaises with client tailored to the bespoke needs of the client

**Dwyers of Cork (January 2019- October 2019)**

Served as a senior barman, waiter and food runner through summer and college period

* Refined ability to work in high pressure environment during busy summer period
* Tasked with serving customers, maintaining bars high standards from its first days if business, and trusted with supervising the bar for busy weekend periods.
* Tasked with training in new staff, and was undoubtedly my employment in which I was entrusted with the largest degree of responsibility outside of a legal context

**Arthur Cox Dublin (January 2018- May 2018)**

Spent 4 months on Clinical Work Placement in one of Ireland’s leading commercial law firms

* Worked in the Investment Funds team of the Finance Department.
* Tasked with assisting Partners and Associates in their duties aiding clients in the management, regulation and due diligence of their investment funds.
* Developed strategic thinking and refined focus on attention to detail owing to the transactional and procedural nature of the area.
* Improved ability to work under intense pressure, particularly when closing a transaction.
* Fostered ability to balance adhering to astute and restrictive process, while still maintaining the innovation and proactivity demanded by the firm’s performance.

**O’ Grady’s Solicitors (September 2017- December 2017)**

Spent 4 months on Clinical Work Placement in a specialist commercial law firm in Dublin City.

* Worked primarily in litigation and in insolvency and corporate restructuring.
* Assisted Partners and Associates in duties in Court and procedurally in the office.
* Firm promoted working with responsibility in a more dynamic and hands-on legal environment.
* Improved skills such as problem solving and ability to work independently and instinctively

**Other Past Employers**

* Leibherr Container Cranes, Earl’s Court Hotel Killarney, Courtyard on Sober Lane, Milanos Restaurant

**Hobbies and Interests:**

* Active member of both Kilcummin GAA club and Mastergeeha Football Club and was previously involved in assisting coaching and refereeing of juvenile teams in the aforementioned clubs, coaching children aged from 6-10.
* Served as membership Recruitment Officer of University College Cork Fianna Fáil society, and elected Social Secretary for the subsequent academic year.
* Participated in Arthur Cox PRIME programme, whereby trainees mentor and introduce the legal work place to TY students from schools in ‘disadvantaged areas’.
* Served as Campaigns Officer for the UCC Student Action for Refugees Society during final year, regularly organising awareness events, fundraisers and attending volunteering events multiple times per week, including large scale music events, sporting competitions and dance classes.

**Achievements:**

* 9-time county champion and 2 time Munster champion in Gaelic football and soccer with club, school, divisional and inter-county teams.
* All- Ireland soccer champion with University College Cork soccer team, and captained Mastergeeha F.C. to the first league and cup double in the club’s history.
* Various accolades as member of Kilcummin comhaltas traditional irish music club as an accordion player and set dancer, including winning the county Fleadh Cheoil as part of a set dancing group, and the Kerry Siamsa Tire competition as a solo accordion player.
* Proposed, debated and passed three motions at Fianna Fáil national youth conference, one of which has since been affected into legislation.
* Presented with award for academic excellence by St. Brendan’s College post-graduation.