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Profile: A hardworking and agile legal professional with previous experience on both in-house and private practice legal teams. Thrives in dynamic and fast-paced work environments. Excellent business acumen with advanced analytical and legal research skills. Successfully completed FE-1 Examinations with a desire to train as a solicitor in a leading full service commercial law firm.

Career History

April 2021 – Present

Twitter, Dublin.

Legal Policy Specialist

- Oversee content-related policies and processes for handling legal requests.
- Primary point of contact managing correspondence and co-operation with the Department of Justice in relation to Mutual Legal assistance requests received for Twitter.
- Analyse and accurately respond to a variety of legal requests for user data, working directly with law enforcement authorities, government agencies and court officials. These requests are in response to search warrants and court orders, originating from a variety of jurisdictions, including Ireland.
- Review incoming correspondence in cases from law enforcement and detect criminal behaviour via the platform and prepare written legal reports.
- Build and maintain relationships to encourage collaboration with Law Enforcement officials and agencies across Europe.

June 2018 – March 2021

Airbnb, Dublin.

Paralegal

- Worked effectively as a member of Airbnb's global legal team, supporting Airbnb's global business on legal risk and regulatory matters including litigation and dispute resolution, privacy and data protection and corporate and commercial law.
- Assisted in the preparation and management of court actions and dispute resolution, facilitating early settlements where deemed appropriate.
- Effectively managed data subject requests which involved conducting risk and impact analysis, investigations and drafting responses, as appropriate.
- Provided legal guidance on ad hoc privacy queries and processes to Airbnb employees, users and third-parties, in relation to Airbnb services.
- Supported data protection regulator investigations by working alongside cross-functional teams and preparing executive reports.
- Provided legal guidance for Customer Experience, Trust and Safety, Law Enforcement and other internal teams and helped to resolve internal escalations.
- Liaised with external legal counsel on complex legal issues and managed relationships to ensure advice was provided in a cost-effective manner.

January 2016 – May 2018

Tara Godfrey Solicitors, Ennis.

Paralegal

- Conducted comprehensive legal research.
- Prepared case summaries, reports, and bundles for court.
- Drafted legal documents, including letters, memos, Affidavits etc.
- Attended meetings and negotiations with opposing parties.
- Instructed Counsel and attended Counsel in court.

May 2015 – December 2015

Holmes O'Malley Sexton Solicitors, Limerick.

Legal Assistant

- Provided legal support for three lawyers from the Commercial Litigation team.
- Drafted letters to clients, counsel, and external organisations.
- Liaised with clients in relation to case updates and progression.
- Conducted legal research.
- Created and maintained internal knowledge databases for the Commercial Litigation team.
- Prepared briefs for Counsel.

September 2014 – April 2015

Eversheds Sutherland, Dublin.

Commercial Litigation Intern

- Worked as part of a team dealing with high-volume debt recovery cases.
- Drafted and issued legal documents.
- Updated and managed our case management system.
- Prepared for and attended court hearings.

September 2011 – July 2014

Target Escuela de Inglés, Argentina.

English Teacher

- Delivered English lessons to a number of classes of varying proficiencies.
- Devised lesson plans using effective teaching materials.
- Produced worksheets and games to cultivate a stimulating learning environment.
- Assumed responsibility for the supervision of students in out-of-class settings.

June 2011 – September 2011

Federal District Court, Central District of California.

Judicial Extern

- Externed for Judge Philip Gutierrez on the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.
- Performed extensive legal research and drafted memoranda pertaining to a wide variety of litigation matters.
- Reviewed Complaints for jurisdictional and procedural defects and issued Orders to Show Cause accordingly.
- Observed proceedings in the Federal Courts.

Educational History

2007 - 2011

University of Limerick.

LL.B (Law & European Studies) (2.1)

Hobbies & Interests

Running: I usually go for a run four times a week. Also, I regularly compete in 10k and 21k races.

Reading: I love reading. In particular, I enjoy reading books about politics and current affairs.

Travel: I am passionate about travelling and enjoy exploring new countries and cultures. I have travelled extensively throughout Europe, North America and South America.

Referees

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Tara Godfrey

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