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Education:

Postgraduate - Masters of Laws (LLM) - Trinity College Dublin

2020 - 2021 - First-Class Honours Grade

FE-1 Exams - Law Society of Ireland

2019 - 2020 - Completed all 8 FE-1 Exams

Undergraduate - Bachelors degree in Law and Society - Dublin City University

2015 - 2018 - 2:1 Grade

Secondary Education - Castleknock Community College

2008 - 2014 -

Work Experience:

Eversheds-Sutherland - Legal Intern on Secondment to the Residential Tenancies Board

August 2021 - Ongoing - I currently work in the Client Office of the Residential Tenancies Board in the Legal Enforcement Department. On a daily basis, my job is to check that tenancies are registered in line with the Residential Tenancies Act and communicate with Landlords, tenants and members of the public to secure official registration status of up-to-date tenancies that are in line with the law.

ByrneWallace - Paralegal - 88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2

February 2019 - January 2020 - In 2019, I was a Paralegal in the Property Department in ByrneWallace for eleven months, performing tasks such as assisting in closing deals and organising the property deeds for numerous properties and banks. This job was extremely demanding and required both sharp focus and determination to work to strict deadlines.

Working in the largest Property Department in the country taught me the benefits of teamwork in a commercial environment. I also learnt and developed the essential habits needed to be successful from the many experienced senior members on my floor. The time spent in ByrneWallace affirmed to me that I was able to handle professional pressures and a hard-working environment. I also developed my attention to detail and researching skills.

ByrneWallace - Intern - 88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2

July 2018 - In 2018, I worked for a month in the Corporate Litigation Department of ByrneWallace, assisting with high-profile cases and observing the inner workings of a corporate law firm.

This experience taught me the realities of working in a competitive and intense environment, which I thoroughly enjoyed. In particular, I was given the opportunity to work on important tasks, often in a research capacity, and was expected to produce a very high quality of work and adhere to strict deadlines.

Libryo - Legal Researcher Online

March 2021 - Ongoing - I currently work researching new legislation to translate and paraphrase into understandable and simple english on an online platform. I am performing this job while completing my LLM and publishing my legal articles, which has helped me hone my critical thinking and writing skills. The socio-legal research undertaken as part of this role has been essential in developing my all-round skills as a legal professional.

Disney - Sales Assistant - Disney store, Blanchardstown

September 2016 - March 2017 - For 6 months during my undergraduate degree, I performed numerous roles in the Disney store such as selling merchandise, working on tills and providing excellent customer service. This role required extreme organisational and people skills and the ability to meet targets as part of a team. Working in a retail environment taught me a passion for interacting with people, achieving targets and working as a team with other staff members.

Castle King Services - Merchandiser - Dunnes Stores, Blanchardstown

September 2011 - January 2014 - While I was in Secondary School, I merchandised stock, performed specific tasks for management and stacked shelves in a supermarket for 27 months as a teenager. This taught me the value of hard work and being self-directed, as I often worked on my own without a manager. Within this job, my ability to engage with different tasks enthusiastically, take the initiative and work independently was developed.

Richard Black Solicitors - Beechfield House, Main St, Clonee, Dublin 15

November 2011 - As a TY student, I worked in a law firm preparing files for property deals, wills and estates, while I was developing my legal knowledge and people skills. This stint first attracted me to working in Law and was a very positive and formative experience.

Phoenix Cricket Club - Club Head Coach - Phoenix Park, Dublin 8

February 2017 - January 2019 - For over two years, I operated as the Head Coach for a Cricket club with over 150 members, planning and organising all the training of club players.

Having control over a whole club as coach has taught me to be organised, driven and very focused. I also had to learn to be creative and innovative in my methods, which I continue as the current YMCA Cricket Club Head Coach. In this role, I worked well with children and parents, developing my organisational skills considerably in this role.

Skills and Achievements:

* I have completed all 8 of the FE1 Law Examinations
* My Legal Articles have been published seven times in the Irish Law Times, with multiple articles scheduled to also be published in late 2021 and early 2022
* I achieved a First Class Honours in my LLM at Trinity College Dublin
* I was elected as the Club Captain for Phoenix Cricket Club in 2017, the youngest captain to ever be appointed as the Club Captain in the history of the 195-year-old club
* I was appointed as the Ireland and Leinster Under 15 and 17 Cricket Captain
* I won the Leinster and All Ireland Finals in Senior Cricket in 2020
* I took a gap year to South Africa aged 18 to volunteer and live there for 7 months
* I played junior International Cricket aged 13-19 for Ireland, captaining multiple Leinster and Ireland teams including an Irish Under-15 European Championship team
* I was elected as the Chairperson of the DCU Cricket Society in 2016, 2017 & 2018
* I worked as a voluntary Maths & English teacher for disadvantaged children in a Cape Town slum for 1 month in November 2014 while on my gap year
* I coached Provincial junior Cricket since the age of 17, winning multiple Inter-provincial series as the Head Coach of different age groups
* I was appointed Assistant Coach to the Ireland Under-15 team in 2018
* I was appointed Head Cricket Coach in Clongowes College and Castleknock College

Interests and Hobbies:

* I was a Member of the Law Society and Free Legal Aid Clinic Societies in DCU
* I am a keen backpacker and have been to over 30 countries, many of them while travelling on my own
* I am extremely interested in Golf, Weight-lifting and the NFL

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