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Profile / Career Objective

- Recent Graduate with an LLB Law degree and currently studying the BTC at BPP University Manchester.
- Also working towards the ABRSM Diploma in Musical Performance.
- Overall, have good etiquette and professional mannerisms for the legal workplace developed throughout my experience below.

Education

Law LLB (Honours), University of Salford (2020- 2023)

- First Class Degree
- Relevant Modules: Medical Law, Law in Action (SILKS Law Clinic – Pro bono work), Family Law and Public Law.

A-Levels, College (2018-2020)

- Law – A, Drama – B, Music – C

GCSE's, (9/2013 to 7/2018)

- 10 GCSE's including Maths and English 7-5 (A-C)

Legal/ Advocacy Experience

Crown Court Judge Marshalling, Manchester Crown Court (January 2023)

- I was chosen out of 10 students from my university to Marshall a judge for 2 days at Manchester Crown Court.
- This was a fantastic opportunity I was honoured to be chosen for, which gave me further insight into the inner workings of the court from a Judge's perspective and further enforced my passion for pursuing law as a career.

2nd Place in Mooting Competition, University of Salford (April 2023)

- During my final term at the University of Salford I participated in my first mooting competition and was extremely successful, coming in at second place.
- This competition was judged by both internal and external individuals, from past pupils and individuals from high-ranking solicitors' firms. It was a fantastic experience in which I was able to demonstrate my highly effective advocacy skills as both the appellant and respondent, and additionally gave me the chance to receive feedback from trained solicitors on how to improve on such skills.

Semi-Finalist - National Mooting Competition, Speed Mooting (May 2023)

- In May 2023, I participated in an online speed mooting competition for a Plea in Mitigation, and I was a successful semi-finalist.
- Within this competition my time management and organisation skills were demonstrated effectively, as the information to prepare for the moot was released the night before the competition. Despite this however, I was still successful in my completion of such, as illustrated by the highly positive feedback I received from the judges.

Lincoln Chambers Mini Pupillage, Lincoln Chambers (August – September 2019)

- During the summer going into my final year of college, I was successful in achieving some work experience shadowing a barrister in Preston Crown Court. This was an amazing opportunity, and one that helped to give an insight for what my average day as a criminal barrister would look like in the future.
- I wanted to use the experience to my advantage and learn the inner workings of the courts to favour me in the future.

Linenhall Chambers Mini Pupillage, Linenhall Chambers (August 2023)

- Over the course of one week following my graduation, I was successful in achieving a mini pupillage shadowing Paulinus Barnes through Linenhall Chambers in Chester.
- Throughout this week I witnessed a wide variety of trials, including many drugs trials, a section 28 cross examination, probation breaches and variations as well as sentencing hearings.

- The week of experience was fantastic for developing my already competent court skills, and I was fortunate enough to have some real insight through conversations with barristers, about cross examination and examination in chief, the key differences, and how to develop and achieve an effective outcome through them.

9 St. John Street Chambers Mini Pupilage, 9 St. John Street Chambers, Manchester (April 2024)

- A two-day Mini Pupillage shadowing both senior and junior barristers.
- A wide range of cases and hearings were seen across the two days at both Crown Square and Minshull Street, from PTPH's to cross examinations and examinations in chief.
- It was a fantastic few day's to establish the type of work junior barristers participate in, whilst also getting a taste for future work and cases.

15 Winkley Square Mini Pupilage Day, 15 Winkley Square Chambers (October 2023)

- I was invited to attend the chambers for one weekend in October to participate in a mini pupillage day.
- The day was fantastic for developing advocacy skills for both civil litigation and criminal litigation. Having had such a huge focus on criminal litigation throughout my career, the civil litigation was a difficult but refreshing change.

Crown Prosecution Service, The University of Salford (March 2023)

- This work experience opportunity was organised by my university and I was selected as one of 20 students through a rigorous application process to partake in work experience with the CPS over the course of a week in March.
- Throughout the week, real-life case studies were examined, allowing us to see how the CPS reach decision on the prosecution of defendants and give us an insight into what a days' worth of work is like for them.

Work Experience

Customer Assistant, Tesco (November 2020 – Present)

Shift Leader / Duty Manager, Tesco (September 2023- August 2024)

- Working as a Shift Leader required me to be in a constant fast paced environment that tested my quick decision-making skills and effective planning to the highest degree. As part of the role, it was my job to ensure all areas of the store, are all running smoothly and effectively, ensuring each has the correct number of staff to do so. This is to guarantee customers could have a happy and enjoyable shopping experience every time.
- Becoming a Shift Leader additionally requires me to hold duty managerial responsibilities and is huge step up in skills surrounding management and conflict resolution.

Volunteer Work

Citizens Advice, Witness Service Volunteer (October 2023 – August 2024)

- Throughout my time volunteering at Citizens Advice I complete a range of work in both Preston Crown Court and Preston Magistrates Court working closely with the witness service team.
- As part of my role, I shadowed team members working with members of the public giving evidence in court on the day of attendance, ensuring they have enough information to give the best evidence they can and being on hand throughout the day to answer any questions or deal with any concerns these witness' may have.

Skills / Interests / Achievements

Other relevant achievements:

- Westlaw Basic Certificate (Available at request)
- Statement of Participation: Pro Bono work and social justice (Through the Open University) (Available at request)
- Grades' 1-8 in Flute
- Grade 5 Music Theory
- Grades' 1-3 in Violin

References are available upon request.