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WORKING EXPERIENCE

Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, Milan (Italy) - Associate

November 2012 – present

Associate in the Corporate Department of the Milan office of the San Francisco-based international law firm

Responsibilities

- Assisting clients by managing day-to-day corporate matters
- Drafting international commercial contracts and contract reviewing to ensure compliance and consistency
- Executing and coordinating due diligence activities for Italian and international clients in different kind of M&A transactions, including sell-side and buy-side acquisitions in energy, fashion and tech sectors (analysis of corporate, contractual and IP issues)
- Advising and counseling Italian and international clients on a variety of corporate compliance issues, including compliance with Italian regulation on administrative liability of legal entities, market abuse and international anti-corruption compliance (US FCPA and UK Anti-Bribery Act)
- Conducting as is analysis, drafting and implementing compliance models under Italian regulation on administrative liability of legal entities; managing the activity and the secretarial duties of Vigilance Bodies under the same regulation
- Assisting partners of the firm in their academic activity by generating and managing course materials and tests, with specific focus on international commercial law courses
- Drafting legal opinions and memoranda on different commercial and corporate matters
- Drafting firm newsletters
- Participating in several pro bono projects lead by the firm pro bono local and international counsels, regularly representing Orrick at the Italian Pro Bono Roundtable

Relevant experience

- Assisted a major US technology company in acquiring an Italian tech start up
- Assisted an Italian publishing company in the acquisition of the medical going concern of a competitor
- Assisted one a public Swedish company, leader in the supply of complete shopfitting concepts, checkouts and lighting systems in the acquisition of an Italian competitor
- Assisted in the incorporation of an Italian innovative start up

Trial Chamber I, International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, The Hague (The Netherlands) - Legal Intern

July 2012 – October 2012

Legal internship at the Trial Chamber I, in the team of presiding Judge Alphons Orie in the case against Radko Mladic.

Responsibilities

- Research, preparing and drafting Trial Chamber decisions on behalf of the Judges.
- Process witness testimony and documentary evidence.
- Drafting summaries and findings for the Trial Judgment under the supervision of legal officers, discussing within the team and presenting them to the Judges for their approval.

Defence Counsel at the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, The Hague (The Netherlands)- Research Intern

January 2012 – May 2012

Research internship for Mr. Mettraux, Defence Counsel at the Special Tribunal for Lebanon in the context of the Joint Master of International Criminal Law.

Responsibilities

- Conducting legal research in criminal matters within different State laws and in international law.
- Making comparative analysis and research into recent developments of different criminal institutions in several judicial systems.
- Drafting final briefs to submit to the lawyer.

CremonaFiere S.p.a. (event company), Cremona (Italy) - Contract event manager

September 2010 – November 2010

Worked as a facilitator and assistant at the Technical Services for Exhibitors Office .

Responsibilities

- Liaising with more than 600 Italian and international exhibitors.
- Drafting letters of advice in Italian, English and French to exhibitors.
- Selecting documents to create online and paper databases.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

- **Admitted to the Italian Bar (2014-2015 year) - Milan**

EDUCATION

August 2011 – August 2012

Joint LLM, Columbia Law School (New York, USA) and University of Amsterdam (Amsterdam, The Netherlands).

October 2004 - November 2010

Combined Bachelor and Master in Law – International Law Curriculum - Bologna Law School, Italy.
Final Grade 110/110 *cum laude*.

September 2007 - June 2008

Postgraduate Erasmus exchange student, Université "Jean Moulin" – Lyon 3, France.
Final average: 15.5.

June 2004

Secondary School Diploma in Classics, Liceo Ginnasio Statale "Daniele Manin", Cremona, Italy.
Final grade 100/100.

SKILLS

Professional Skills

- Excellent academic results in law
- Demonstrated research and writing ability
- Demonstrated capability both to work in a team and to complete individual tasks
- Mentoring new co-workers on goals and quality standards
- Leading and supervising small working groups to ensure rapid, high quality results within deadlines

Languages:

- **Italian** _ native speaker
- **English** _ proficient user
Cambridge IELTS Test - RMIT University Language Center, Melbourne, Australia
- **French** _ fluent user.
DALF C1 - Diplôme Approfondi de la Langue Française - Academie Française of Lyon, France.

Computing:

Proficient users of Microsoft office
Research: Foro Online, Pluris, De Jure, LexisNexis, Westlaw.

VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES

January – February 2012 - Coached international and Dutch students in argumentation and aspects of international criminal law in preparation of the International Moot Court, The Hague, The Netherlands.

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

- Member of UNWomen Italia, Avocats sans frontières Italia
- Played volleyball for 9 years in the Corona Volleyball Team, Cremona, Italy.
- Reading, hiking, concerts, yoga