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**LLM, Master of International Commercial and Maritime Law,
University of Wales**

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Personal Profile:

Legal Counsel with extensive UK, Gulf, and Middle East experience.

Excellent communication, Analytical, organisational, and negotiation experience.

Keen eye for detail, ability to meet deadlines and hit significant targets.

Proven ability to support teams in a commercial environment. Extensive experience in International Trade, International Commercial Law and Arbitration, and Banking law

Career History

Legal Counsel, Deloitte - London 08/2020- 03/2021

Deloitte is one of the Big Four accounting organizations and the largest professional services network in the world by revenue and number of professionals

- Worked with a selected group of lawyers in a top project related potential dispute between top USA and European brands.
- Project included the legal review of more than 1.5M documents for the categorisation of legal rights.
- Attended daily meetings with the team, and a weekly meeting with the partnering law firm for review of project progress.

Consultant, Raedas Consulting - London 01/2019—03/2020

Raedas has been ranked Band 1 in Chambers' 2019 guide in litigation support. Raedas provides investigative support in high-stakes international litigation, arbitration, internal investigations and other contentious scenarios. It has strong links with GPW.

- Checked details of International Arbitration financial case between Telecom company and international partners in a 810 M USD dispute
- Reviewed more than 52,000 documents including financial statements, contracts and policies(including services, employment, rent, and sale contracts), in addition to various internal and external communications(including letters, emails, legal memos).
- Preparing reports and notes before submission to the international Arbitration Centre

Attorney, Morrison & Foester - London 02/2018 – 11/2018

- Worked with a selected group of lawyers to review legal documents related to potential dispute between Middle Eastern Financial Institution and International contracting group regarding legal obligations between the parties based upon master contract.
- Pursued lines of messaging, written notes and instructions in addition to other documentary evidence.
 - Designed key word search strategy, and organising material for legal procedures based on particular date ranges, locations, projects and departments.
 - Drafted legal notes and presented updates to partners.

Senior Attorney, Integreon- London 03/2017- 01/2018

Integreon is a global provider of award-winning legal, document, business and research support solutions to leading law firms, corporate legal departments, corporate marketing and strategy groups, financial institutions and professional services firms

- Conducted legal document review for top USA sales brand in relation to transfer of rights and obligations based upon the sale contract of a regional marketing brand.
- Project covered identifying legal risk Systematic collation and tracking of information to identify and report on trend contribution, maintaining and developing working practices.
 - Trained and advised new members of the team on best practices in order to achieve best results, maintaining time effectiveness to meet scheduled deadlines

Contract Lawyer, Inventus- London 02/2015- 02/2017

Inventus is a discovery management practice focused on legal discovery process

- Worked with Senior Associates and Partners at a top city law firm in a 2.2 BN USD' dispute involving Major world bank and North African sovereign fund.
- Building comprehensive understanding of various international jurisdictions, suggesting solutions and follow-up of cases.
- Project included reviewing huge number of documents in English, French, and Arabic using e-discovery platforms: Relativity and Clearwell
- Project included analysis and tracking of information in documents to build a comprehensive understanding of the case.

Legal Consultant, Pro Bono Program at DIFC Courts 12/2013- 12/2014

DIFC Courts are an independent common law judiciary based in Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) with jurisdiction governing civil and commercial disputes ● Advised rental disputes in Dubai as per recent regulations organizing the function of Dubai RERA.

- Advised employment disputes in major international companies and world banks in Dubai.
- Advised contract terms, amendments of contracts, and contractual obligations

Attorney, Integreon-Bristol 05/2013 – 11/2013

- Project covered identifying legal risk Systematic collation and tracking of information to identify and report on trend contribution, maintaining and developing working practices that met client Service Level Agreements (SLAs) and exceeded client expectations.
- Developed a comprehensive understanding of businesses' corporate structure and liaised with individuals to build comprehensive understanding of the regional legal system.
- Supported and advised team members, performed final quality control of documents before submission to the partnering law firm managing and storing all relevant files for each business and maintaining an overall record of the project's status.

Legal Expert, Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply- Lincolnshire 03/2012 – 04/2013

CIPS is the largest professional body for procurement in the world. It represents and promotes expertise and capability for procurement practitioners in both the public and private sectors.

- Advised CIPS project at Ministry of Finance in Beirut, Lebanon
- The project devised number of training courses and training of trainer program in Beirut, Lebanon

- Reviewed Institute of Finance Introduction to Public Procurement Law, advising on legal training as part of module development, participating in the TOT
- Monitored compliance with laws and regulations as set by: L'Institut Des Finances
- Guided and supported multiple professional staff from diverse disciplines.

Research Papers:

- **Banking Law “Duties & Liabilities of banks under UCP Rules: Non-payment against conforming documents”**
- **Maritime Law “Deviation of ship and its major Impact on rights and duties of carrier under contract of carriage”**

Languages:

Arabic, English, and French

References available upon request