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EXPERIENCE

Hogan Lovells International LLP

Associate (International Arbitration, Construction & Engineering Disputes)

London

August 2022 – Present

Hogan Lovells International LLP

Trainee Solicitor

London

August 2020 – August 2022

FOURTH SEAT: Infrastructure, Energy, Resources & Projects (Finance and Commercial)

- *Involvement on a multi-jurisdictional gas pipeline project spanning across Asia and Europe in the context of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.*
- *Full-scope project assistance with the revitalisation of a sugar factory in Sri-Lanka, including involvement in the strategy and witness statement drafting of an alleged shareholder dispute in the Singaporean Courts.*
- *Involvement on a government-supply tender bid by a satellite company in Oman, including the emergency authorisation of tender documents.*

THIRD SEAT: Corporate Litigation, Fraud and Investigations (Contentious)

- *Preparation of appeal materials on a complex point of law to the Supreme Court in respect of a long-running oligarch dispute.*
- *Preparation of points of dispute and replies to points of dispute in detailed assessment proceedings involving costs upwards of GBP20 million.*
- *Preparation of an application and a suite of supporting witness statements in a cross-jurisdictional application for a worldwide freezing order in Cyprus and a RICO-claim in the USA in the context of dispute by a group of bondholders in relation to illegal asset-stripping of the bond-issuer group.*
- *Involvement in the early stages of a complex allegation of failed engineering works between two major companies in the Aviation sector.*

SECOND SEAT: International Arbitration, Construction & Engineering Disputes (Contentious)

- *Preparation of pleadings in respect of an arbitration between an EPCM Contractor and a Project Company with a value of over USD500,000,000.*
- *Interviewing witnesses and drafting witness statements involving technical engineering processes and construction sequencing narratives with an individual asset-value in a complex multi-asset claim of over USD100,000,000.*
- *Assisting multiple delay and costs experts with the preparation of joint and individual expert reports in a highly-contentious arbitration between an EPCM Contractor and a Project Company.*
- *Responsibility for a review of asset-specific disclosure documents, in respect of JEDR requirements, Redfern requests, and disclosure of documents generally.*

FIRST SEAT: Real Estate (Commercial)

- *The preparation, negotiation, finalisation, and completion of multiple leases for relationship clients, including emergency leases in respect of the COVID-19 pandemic, new leases, and lease renewals.*
- *The preparation and negotiation of concessionary rent letters for a suite of tenants of a relationship landlord, including suitable adaptations to the standard form and bespoke drafting for heavily negotiated concessions.*
- *The preparation, negotiation, and completion of a time-sensitive lease surrender, and follow-up time-sensitive applications to the Land Registry.*

- *Investigation of a complex allegation of historic underpayment of SDLT for a relationship client, the drafting of a briefing note and letter to HMRC in respect of the same.*
- *The reorganisation of a data-site used by the client and multiple law firms during the construction of a Project, and contemporaneous reorganisation of the corresponding hard-copy deeds.*

EXPERIENCE PRIOR TO TRAINING CONTRACT

- *June 2019 – February 2020: Center Parcs UK, HR Shared Services Administrator (HR Operations)*

This role involved data entry, colleague support, and acting as a contact point for approx. 10,000 employees. I developed working knowledge related to employment law, working time regulations, and tax laws.

- *June 2018 – July 2018: Hogan Lovells International LLP, Vacation Scheme Student*

This role involved rotation around a number of diverse and busy departments, which required me to be adaptable, open, and dynamic. A key task in this area involved working as part of a team in order to prepare and deliver a client-suggestion presentation. This involved using commercial awareness and key knowledge of the company to identify a potential area of expansion for the company, devising a presentation, and delivering it in an effective manner. The outcome of this scheme was sponsorship for the LPC and competitive employment.

- *June 2018 – July 2019: University of Nottingham, E-Mentor for the Pathways to Law Programme*
- *November 2013 – June 2019: Center Parcs UK, Food & Beverage Assistant*

EDUCATION

BPP Law School

*Accelerated Legal Practice Course
Distinction*

London

February 2020 – August 2020

University of Nottingham

*Undergraduate Degree, Law LLB
Upper Second Class Honours*

September 2016 – July 2019

The Dukeries Academy

A-Levels

**New Ollerton,
Nottinghamshire**

September 2013 – July 2015

- *History: A**
- *Sociology: A*
- *English Literature: B*

The Dukeries Academy

GCSE

**New Ollerton,
Nottinghamshire**

September 2011 – July 2013

- *English Literature - A**
- *English Language - A*
- *Mathematics - B*
- *Biology - A*
- *Chemistry - B*
- *Physics - B*
- *History - A*
- *French Language - A**
- *Religious Education - A**
- *Physical Education - B*
- *Information Technology - Distinction*
- *Social Education - Level 2*