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EDUCATION

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Chicago, Illinois – *LL.M. Degree in Corporate Law*, June 2018
Master's degree in a Top Ten U.S. School of Law in 2017-2018 (U.S. News)

Coursework focusing on corporate law including: Mergers & Acquisitions, Negotiation, Business Associations, Contracts, Cross-Border Transactions, International Bankruptcy, Privacy Law

Sagesse University, Lebanon – *Master's Degree in International and Comparative Law*, October 2015

Sagesse University, Lebanon – *Bachelor's Degree in Law (LLB)*, July 2014

EXPERIENCE

THE SIMON LAW FIRM, P.C., Saint Louis, Missouri – *Law Clerk*, March 2019 – May 2019
Top U.S. Lawyers (U.S. News)

- Handled and researched all aspects of millions of dollars' worth litigation cases for Top U.S. Lawyers (U.S. News) involving class actions, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, expert witnesses, patent infringement
- Learned part of drafting briefs and motions related to intellectual property and business law litigations on behalf of corporate clients
- Reviewed production documents of litigation cases dealing with intellectual property and business law

PJI LAW, Virginia – *Law Clerk*, December 2018 – February 2019

- Handled and researched all aspects of cases involving shareholder disputes, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty
- Reviewed production documents of litigation cases dealing with intellectual property and business law

COOK COUNTY COURT, Chicago – *Legal Extern for a Judge*, August 2018 – December 2018

- Checked the statutory compliance of complaints, motions, mortgages, assignments or merger documents, orders
- Researched, studied and proposed solutions for mortgage foreclosure cases

SOUHAID & SAYSSA LAW FIRM, Achrafieh – *Lawyer*, June 2016 - August 2017

- Drafted corporate and financial legal documents (sale and purchase agreements, shareholders' agreements, joint-venture agreements, NDAs, memoranda of understanding, minutes of meeting)
- Litigated on behalf of international corporate clients including Nike, Converse, KFC, Hardee's, Khatib & Alami (#5 engineering firm in the Middle East, #40 international design firm)

MELHEM KHALAF LAW FIRM, Badaro – *Lawyer*, June 2015 - June 2016

- Drafted petitions and pleadings with a focus on a wide range of corporate, commercial, family, real estate and criminal matters
- Represented clients at court hearings in a wide range of corporate, commercial, family, real estate and criminal matters

ALINE EL OSTA LAW FIRM, Horch Tabet – *Trainee Lawyer*, July 2013 - December 2013

- Researched prior legislation, fact-checked, drafted memos
- Drafted court revisions and assisted during courtroom proceedings

FATHER AFIF OSSEIRAN FOUNDATION, Fanar – *Trainee Lawyer*, January 2013 - July 2013

- Worked on juvenile delinquency cases including interviewing juvenile detainees at Roumieh prison to gather information; researched and drafted pleadings

FRANSABANK, Jounieh – *Trainee in Customer Transactions*, June 2011

- Rotated in the teller department and commercial services of Lebanon's oldest bank: Cash deposits, withdrawals and transfers; Received, issued, cleared checks; Opened accounts; Issued personal, housing and auto loans

BAR ADMISSION

- Admitted to the Beirut Bar since 2015

LANGUAGES AND INTERESTS

- Work fluency in English, French and Arabic
- Pro bono work at Offre Joie – an NGO founded in 1985 to establish and help civil institutions such as schools and public institutions in war torn regions