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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Merchant & Gould, P.A.

Associate Attorney

Law Clerk

- ▶ Prepare and prosecute patent applications and help with intellectual property work.

Minneapolis, Minnesota

September 2020 – Present

December 2019 – May 2020

Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner, P.A.

Law Clerk

- ▶ Prepared and prosecuted patent applications and helped with intellectual property work.

Minneapolis, Minnesota

October 2019 – May 2020

Microsoft

Senior Student Partner

- ▶ Created and lead technical workshops. Planned content and presented on innovative technologies, building applications, web and mobile development, and entrepreneurship.

St. Paul, Minnesota

August 2016 – May 2020

SRF Consulting Group, Inc.

Software Engineer

- ▶ Develop software applications to assist with engineering design tools, GIS and CAD utilities. Project management skills to keep projects on time and low cost.
- ▶ Perform as full stack developer, creating responsive and interactive web and mobile applications that interact with different database platforms and data sources through various API technologies.

Minneapolis, Minnesota

May 2016 – September 2020

EDUCATION

Mitchell Hamline School of Law, Saint Paul, MN

May 2020

Juris Doctor and Certificate in Patent Law

- ▶ President, Student Intellectual Property Law Association, 2018-19, 2019-20
- ▶ Editor-in-Chief, Vol 11.2; Executive Editor, Vol 11.1 - Cybaris Intellectual Property Law Review, 2019-20
- ▶ Semifinalist, AIPLA Giles S. Rich Patent Moot Court Competition, 2019
- ▶ Member, Honorable Jimmie V. Reyna IP American Inns of Court, 2019-20
- ▶ Recipient, Barbara Wrigley IP Scholarship for Women and Welter IP Scholarship, 2018-19, 2019-20

University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, MN

May 2017

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

- ▶ President, Computer Science Club, 2016-17
- ▶ President, Pre-Law Society, 2015-16

SKILLS & LICENSURE

- ▶ Bar Admission: State of Minnesota October 2020, Sitting for Patent Registration Exam on October 2020
- ▶ Computer Programming (Java, C, Matlab, SQL, PHP, Javascript, jQuery, HTML, CSS, MIPS)
- ▶ Website Development and Design (sheilaniaz.com, minneapoliswesttaxi.com)

INTERESTS

- ▶ Seven-Time Marathon Runner; President, Running Club at the University of Saint Thomas, 2016-17
- ▶ Student Attorney Volunteer, Patent Clinic at Mitchell Hamline School of Law, 2019-20; Vice President, Chess Club at Mitchell Hamline School of Law, 2018-19, 2019-20; Task Force Leader, 'Revisiting "Realizing the Information Future: The Internet and Beyond," the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly' Symposium, 2018-19, Volunteer of +150 service hours at Minnesota Justice Foundation, 2017-20