Meet the team

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What do you do at Outset and how do you support our clients?

I'm a paralegal in our corporate and commercial team, so I assist on corporate transactions in a variety of ways. Thus far I've been dedicating a lot of my energy towards ensuring all our client's records are fully accurate and up to date during the post-completion process, but I also help our team deliver outstanding results for our clients by assisting in other matters, from completion searches to support on due diligence.

Give us a brief timeline of your career so far

After leaving school and alongside university I worked for various organisations, from charities and NGOs to the hospitality sector, and also as a freelance musician throughout. I love the variety this has offered me over the years and continue to draw on my experiences gained in each role.

I joined Outset in January 2021 after completing my Graduate Diploma in Law at the University of Law and have gained a lot of experience in a short amount of time due to the fast paced nature of the work.





What has been your biggest challenge in your role?

Starting a new role during lockdown has been challenging in some ways, not least in terms of getting to know my new colleagues properly. Thankfully, everyone at Outset has made a real effort, which has been great and much appreciated (although I'm very much looking forward to meeting those whom I haven't already in person when circumstances allow!).

What do you enjoy most about your job?

Aside from the people I work with, I really enjoy the scope for learning and development I experience on a daily basis. My team are keen to see me progress, so I've already gained fantastic exposure to the varied elements of corporate transactions over the past two months, and look forward to continuing to do so in the future.

What do you think sets Outset apart?

Outset's creativity and integrated approach to client issues really set the firm apart for me. I've seen the collaboration between our different teams consistently secure holistic results for our clients, and creative offerings such as Primed allow clients to tailor our services to best suit their needs. This innovative and client-focused nature is one of the many things that drew me towards Outset in the first place.

When you were young, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I wanted to be a fighter pilot after watching Independence Day for the first time. Poor eyesight sadly put an end to those dreams but I tell myself it was for the best.

What do you wish someone had told you when you started out? Or what piece of advice were you given early on that has stuck with you?

I always remember being told never to hesitate to ask questions. When accuracy in your work is so important and you want to progress fast and develop professionally, there's no excuse not to be inquisitive at every opportunity!



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What do you enjoy doing when you are not working?

I've always had a lot of hobbies, but these days I enjoy producing and mixing music, reading, gaming and, most recently, cooking.

Who inspires you most and why?

Despite the cliché it has to be both my parents. Their work ethic has been a major influence on me for as long as I can remember.



What piece of advice would you give someone in business?

Make room for flexibility in your long-term strategy. The past year alone is all the supporting evidence needed.

And finally... What is one thing you've learnt during lockdown?

To identify and appreciate the positives in every day. These might be seemingly small things, like a tasty meal or an enjoyable conversation, but I've found just taking note of two or three of them at the end of the day to be great for maintaining a positive mind-set in challenging times.



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