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Experience

Kirkland & Ellis LLP

- Legal Recruiting Manager (October 2022 – present)

Dechert LLP

- Legal Recruiting Manager (November 2021 – October 2022)

Brooklyn Law School

- Manager of Employer Engagement (November 2020 – November 2021)

Columbia University

- Senior Associate Director, Employer and Alumni Relations (August 2019 – November 2020)
- Associate Director, Experiential Education (June 2018 – July 2019)
- Assistant Director, Experiential Education (July 2016 – May 2018)
- Career Counselor, Undergraduate Career Development (June 2015 – June 2016)

Education

Rutgers University- 2015

- Master of Education, College Student Affairs

Point Park University- 2013

- Bachelor of Arts, Journalism

Professional Memberships and Involvement

New York City Recruitment Association (NYCRA)

- Mentor and mentee

National Association for Law Placement (NALP)

- Attended the Annual Conference in 2024

Statement of Interest

My first experience within the legal recruiting space came in the winter of 2020 when everything went virtual. As I strived to build connections with various recruiters and attorneys in the industry within my role at Brooklyn Law School, I found it extremely difficult to have meaningful interactions in a virtual space. I quickly wondered how I could catch up in this industry and learn more about the opportunities if I couldn't meet anyone.

Fast forward four years later, and I am grateful to have had some highly impactful experiences through NALP and NYCRA that helped me feel welcomed into this professional community. Whether it was a coffee chat with a mentor or mentee or gaining tips during a presentation at the NALP conference, I feel lucky to have made progress in my comfort level and learning thanks to these amazing organizations. I remember attending my first NALP Conference in Boston listening to an amazing speaker named Kara Hardin talk about "Radical Striving" and how we can all revisit our relationship with work. It felt like she read my mind and was speaking directly to me about how we don't need to strive for perfection and that we're not alone as we push ourselves to be successful in our jobs.

This is precisely why I'd love to assist in planning upcoming NALP conferences. I've seen firsthand how these professional development opportunities can make someone feel part of a special community like we have in legal recruiting.