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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

King & Spalding, Houston, Texas *Associate, Mergers & Acquisitions, Corporate Finance*, Feb. 2012 – Present

- Draft and negotiate merger, stock purchase, asset purchase, contribution and services agreements; manage all aspects of mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and joint ventures.
- Research and prepare memoranda on various issues of corporate and securities law, including matters related to Sarbanes-Oxley.
- Conduct and supervise due diligence and prepare diligence memoranda.
- Represented Kimberly-Clark in the acquisition of synfuel facilities, BHP Billiton in the divestment of a mining subsidiary, Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Co. in a joint venture, BP America in gas and power agreements, Woodside Petroleum in the acquisition of an oil and gas P&E company, Enron in the divestment of an Argentine company, Whirlpool in the acquisition of property in Reynosa, Mexico, Baker Hughes with respect to various corporate matters and non-profit organizations with respect to formation and other corporate matters.

Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, New York City, New York *Corporate Associate*, Nov. 2010 – Jan. 2012

- Draft and negotiate merger, stock purchase, asset purchase and shareholders agreements; manage all aspects of private and public mergers and acquisitions, including organizing closings and client management.
- Draft and negotiate credit agreements.
- Represent lead Underwriter's counsel in equity offering; draft and negotiate underwriting agreement.
- Conduct and supervise due diligence and prepare diligence memoranda.
- Research and prepare memoranda on issues of corporate and securities law.
- Represented Interpublic Group of Companies in its acquisition of True North Communications, Helman & Friedman in its sale of a division of Mitchell International, Inc. to Marshal & Swift and in negotiating credit agreements, Companhia Vale do Rio Doce in its acquisition of Belém Administrações E Participações from Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Texas Pacific Group in the auction of Emap USA, United Technologies Corporation in negotiating a credit agreement and Salomon Smith Barney in an equity offering.

Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, New York City, New York

Summer Associate, 2009

Mayer, Brown & Platt, LLP, Houston, Texas

Summer Associate, 2008, 2009

Baker & McKenzie, Houston, Texas

Summer Associate, 2009

Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P., Houston, Texas

Summer Associate, 2008

Baker & Botts, L.L.P., Houston, Texas

Legal Assistant Clerk, Summer 2007

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law- Austin, Texas

Doctorate of Jurisprudence with Honors, May 2010

President, Student Bar Association, 2008-09; Class Representative, 2007-08; Law Week Co-Chair, 2007-08; Permanent Class Representative; Alumni Association Executive Committee, 2008-2010; Texas Young Lawyers Association Board of Directors, Student Liaison; Texas State Bar, Law Student Division Board of Directors; American Bar Association, Law Student Division Conventions Delegate, 2008-09

University College London- London, England, Semester in London Program, Fall 2009

Indiana University- Bloomington, Indiana

B.A., Individualized Major Program, May 2007; Honors Notation, Russian and East European Institute Certificate
Major: International Relations with a concentration in Russia; Minors: Political Science, Russian

SKILLS/ ORGANIZATIONS

Admitted to Texas Bar, 2012

Member of Houston Young Lawyers Association (Committee Co-chair), Texas State Bar Association, Houston Bar Association and American Bar Association, Business Law Section

Admitted to New York Bar, May 2011

Member of New York State Bar Association

Komen Foundation Race for the Cure Golf Tournament Committee Co-Chair

Proficient in Russian