

JAMES YUEN

Calgary, Alberta

ARTICLING CANDIDATE

Law student with 2 years' experience volunteering as a research and legal assistant in civil litigation with advanced abilities in written and oral advocacy. In addition, I have an in-depth understanding of corporate-commercial law and gained practical skills during the dual JD program through research seminars and law firm programs. Recently completed Phase I of the Practice Readiness Education Program (PREP) through CPLED.

EDUCATION

- Practice Readiness Education Program (PREP), CPLED** Jun. 2023 – Present
- Completed Phase I, Foundation Modules.
- Juris Doctor (J.D.), University of Windsor, Faculty of Law, Windsor** 2019
- Dual JD program with University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.
 - Additional training sessions in mediation and negotiation.
 - Courses included: Securities Law, Wills and Succession, and Land Transfers.
- Juris Doctor (J.D.), University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Detroit, MI** 2019
- Required courses in corporate-commercial law.
 - Intellectual Property Law Firm Program.
 - Courses included: Family Law, Administrative Law, Entertainment Law.
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Law and Society, University of Calgary, Calgary** 2010
- Dean's List while completing 4-year degree program in 3 years.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Herman Gill Professional Corporation, Brampton** Jan. 2021 - Apr. 2022
Member of the Law Society of Ontario, specializing in criminal defense and civil litigation.
- Research/Legal Assistant**
- Job shadowed a licensed practitioner to gain professional experience.
 - Edited and prepared civil lawsuit applications for the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.
 - Performed legal research regarding jurisdiction and venue.
 - Provided process services for civil lawsuits.
- Freelance Sales and Appraisals (E-commerce), Calgary** Feb. 2020 - Dec. 2022
Online internet business buying and selling art and collectables on third-party websites.
- Appraised, evaluated and sold paintings and other collectables.
 - Searched a variety of data bases to find unique and rare items.
 - Sold painting with Sotheby's Auction House in London, UK.
- Intellectual Property Law Firm Program, Detroit, MI** Jan. 2019 - Aug. 2019
University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, Law Firm Program
- Gained professional and legal experience in a law firm setting.
 - Received practical and technical training under the direction of a practicing attorney.
 - Researched, identified and addressed intellectual property issues in corporate transactions.
 - Experienced working with case files, registering patent applications and filing IP infringement claims.

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International Copyright Law Research Paper, Detroit, MI Jan. 2019 - Jun. 2019
University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, International Copyright Relations Research Seminar

- Authored 30-page research paper and met weekly with professor.
- Research paper argued that publisher rights from derivative works should terminate and revert to artists under s. 203, 204 of the Copyright Act.

International Economic Law Research Paper, Windsor Sept. 2018 - Dec. 2018
University of Windsor, Faculty of Law, International Economic Law Seminar

- Authored 30-page research paper on international economic law.
- Researched current state of international economic law and regulation of crypto currency.
- Presented PowerPoint slideshow on research paper findings to professor and colleagues.

Pitt, McGehee, Palmer Bonanni & Rivers, P.C. Law Firm, Royal Oak, MI Jan. 2016 - Nov. 2016
Leader in employment and civil rights law, complex personal injury and criminal defense in Michigan.

Student Volunteer, Flint Water Class Action

- Contacted and created statements for over 300 residents who were affected by tainted water.
- Built trusting relationships with residents and managed expectations.
- Analyzed witness statement records for common medical conditions such as skin rashes, lesions and hair loss.

TELUS, Appointment Notification Team, Calgary Jan. 2011 - Jul. 2015
National telecommunications company providing internet, phone and satellite services.

Clerk, Team Leader, Residential and Small/Medium, Business Services

- Liaised with business customers to resolve service installation appointment issues.
- Created instruction manuals on using new appointment software for other team members.
- Provided reporting on department statistics and daily service levels using pivot tables.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Windsor Fashion Fundraiser, University of Windsor, Windsor 2017 - 2018

- Promoted and facilitated fundraising events for students.

Ambassadors of Big Brothers and Big Sisters (BBBS), Calgary 2013

- Promoted BBBS and experiences at information and fundraising events.

Big Brother of Big Brothers and Big Sisters (BBBS), Calgary 2011 - 2012

- Met weekly with little brother forging social skills and confidence, and attended BBBS events.

Event Volunteer, Animal Rescue Foundation, Calgary 2011

- Promoted and facilitated fundraising and adoption events.

Mentor, University of Calgary International Mentorship Program, Calgary 2010

- Attended program events and assisted international mentees in transitioning to a new city.

INTERESTS

Art and History: My favorite artist is Leonardo da Vinci and I am particularly drawn to Renaissance art.

Cooking: Enjoy cooking a variety of Asian dishes and also baking desserts.

Health and Fitness: Basketball, squash and tennis are my favourite recreational sports.