NOORIE DHILLON

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Personal Statement

My strengths lie in the field of communication. I have strong interpersonal and intercultural communication skills. My professional background consists of public sector experience along with business experience and a combination of both has taught me personal discipline, and strategic management skills. I enjoy public speaking and thrive on communicating face to face.

Work Experience

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE – DHILLON IMMIGRATION SERVICES FEBRUARY 2012 - PRESENT

Position:

Licensed Immigration Adviser – Self Employed

Responsibilities:

Interviewing clients, conducting eligibility assessments, lodging

applications for clients and dealing with Immigration New Zealand,

account management and business management

MALCOLM PACIFIC LIMITED – LICENSED IMMIGRATION ADVISER 2010 - 2012

Position:

Licensed Immigration Adviser

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE August 2008 - Present

Designation:

Franchisee (partnership)

Business:

Domino's Pizza Franchise

Responsibilities:

Recruitment and management of staff; constant coaching and mentoring and development of staff who show initiative and a desire to move into management roles; coordination with head office; local Marketing and PR; compiling reports; monthly accounts;

issues management and quality control.

INTERPRETING EXPERIENCE 2003 – Present - Freelance

Designation:

Qualified Interpreter

Business:

Counties Manukau District Health Board and Pacific Translation

Services Ltd

Responsibilities:

Community interpreting in Health and Legal contexts

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR – IMMIGRATION NEW ZEALAND July 2005 – April 2010

Position:

Border Liaison Officer (Border Operations Centre)

Responsibilities:

Risk Target profiling (RTP), Advanced Passenger Processing (APP),

interdiction of suspicious passengers at offshore airports, interaction with airlines to resolve passenger boarding issues,

making immigration decisions in short space of time

Value added:

Accepted secondment opportunity during staff shortage, shown

flexibility and adaptability with transferrable skills

Position:

Border immigration officer (Onshore Border Operations)

Responsibilities:

Face to face interviewing of passengers on arrival, decision making at the border, issuing infringements to airlines, facilitating departure

of unlawful immigrants

Value added:

Accepted secondment opportunity during staff shortage, shown

flexibility and adaptability with transferrable skills

Position:

Compliance Officer (Compliance Operations, Auckland)

Responsibilities:

Compliance investigations, taking removal action, revocation of permits, managing risk of potential illegal immigrants, delivering key messages around INZ Compliance regulations to employers and communities, building effective working relationships with

government departments

Value added:

Facilitated voluntary departures saving costs for the department; strong relationship management/networking skills to build and maintain healthy relationships with stakeholders; effective

teamwork especially multilingual skills to assist colleagues and peers

with their investigations

Position:

Immigration Officer (Documentation Branch, Manukau)
Mailroom functions initially then to lodging temporary and

residence applications

Value added:

Responsibilities

Showed willingness and initiative to learn the job; achieved the $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($

position of Compliance officer within a few months of joining

Immigration New Zealand.

COMMUNICATIONS EXPERIENCE (EMPLOYED AND FREELANCE) July 2003 - July 2006

July 2005 - July 2006

Position:

Ethnic Public Relations Advisor

Employer:

Banana Works Communications (Wellington)

Responsibilities:

Organized and conducted research focus groups among Auckland

South-Asian communities; collated detailed quantitative and

qualitative reports

Value added:

Assisted a Wellington-based company to reach their target audience

in Auckland, saving them travel expenses and time; formed and

develop effective working relationships

July 2005

Position:

Event Manager

Organization:

NZ Sikh Association

Responsibilities:

Arranged Labour Party fundraiser event on behalf of NZ Sikh

community. VIP guests were former Prime Minister Helen Clark and

fellow Members of Parliament.

Value added:

Professional approach to hosting an important event for the Sikh

community; long-term relationships built

January 2005 - July 2005

Position:

PR/Communications Advisor

Employer:

Planet Ayurveda

Responsibilities:

Developed a detailed communications plan, monitored

internal/external communications, media liaison; organized launch event of Planet Ayurveda in May 2005 - duties included arranging VIP guest (Lana Coc-Kroft), catering, decorations, media pitching,

media packs and post-event media monitoring

Value added:

Professional PR service to launch a business, extensive media

exposure, business expansion

2004 - 2007

Position:

Media Liaison and Marketing executive

Employer:

Kuk Samachar Community Newspaper

Responsibilities:

Representing and marketing of the first ethnic newspaper published

in the Punjabi and Hindi languages at various ethnic and political

events

Value added:

a 75% increase in sales by negotiating and securing long-term

advertising contracts with international companies and government

agencies

Qualifications

Bachelor of Applied Communication, Major - Public Relations

Completed in 2004

Manukau Institute of Technology

Most Promising Public Relations Student awarded by Public Relations Institute of New Zealand (PRINZ)

Certificate in Liaison Interpreting

Completed in 2004

Auckland University of Technology

Member of New Zealand Society of Translators and Interpreters (NZSTI)

Train the Trainer course

Completed in 2009 - Internal course offered by the Department of Labour

Referees available on request