Sharon Kidder

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Education

Portland Community College — Portland, OR — expected June 2011 A.A.S. in Paralegal Studies with Highest Honors

De Anza College — Cupertino, CA — 2009 Certificate in Energy Management and Climate Policy

California State University, Hayward, CA - 1994 B.S. in Business Admin., *cum laude*, Minors in Environmental Studies and Economics

Skills

- Software: Lexis-Nexis; Microsoft Suite (Excel, Word, Publisher, Outlook and PowerPoint); Apple Suite (Numbers, Pages, Keynote and iCal); and QuickBooks.
- Secretarial: Typing at 70+ wpm, 10-key
- Business Bookkeeping, including check writing, cash register and statement balancing, payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable and typing quotes.

Experience

PARALEGAL INTERN, GADZO LAW FIRM, PALO ALTO, CA, SEP 2009 TO DEC 2009

- Worked under the supervision of Alexandra Gadzo, J.D.
- Researched a number of landlord-tenant dispute topics.
- Prepared and organized estate planning and will documents for client signature.
- Maintained legal case organization including copying, filing, and archiving.

DATABASE ASSISTANT, JAMES MOORE & ASSOCIATES, LOS ALTOS, CA, AUG 2006 TO APR 2007

- Maintained client/candidate databases in Panorama as well as hardcopy client files.
- Assisted recruiters with editing/reformatting client resumes. Transcribed resumes.
- Assisted owner with office bookkeeping and payroll process.
- Monitored and maintained adequate office supplies.

REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL EVENT COORDINATOR, SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, HILLSBORO, OR, FEB 2002 TO APR 2006

- Revived this neglected regional office and held over thirty successful educational events throughout Oregon and Washington.
- Before each event, recruited, coordinated and communicated with many volunteer staff and teachers as well as prepared and distributed class marketing materials.
- Maintained group database shared by six regions.
- Timely reimbursed teacher expenses, after each event, and completed organizational paperwork (including evaluation summaries, grades, etc.).
- Developed forms and marketing materials shared by colleagues in the organization.

EVENT MANAGER, TREASURER & SECRETARY, SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, HILLSBORO, OR. 1996 TO 2002

- Planned, recruited, and held four events, including a camping event and a feast.
- Prepared an award-winning newsletter for local SCA branch.
- Held a variety of treasurer positions over a three year time period, including considerable clean-up and organization of paper records.

• Developed and distributed Excel versions of a 14-page financial quarterly report template and distributed Quicken setup files with categories set up to align correctly with the Quarterly report categories, reducing inconsistencies throughout the region.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, INTEL CORP., HILLSBORO, OR, 1997 TO 1998

- Provided human resource administrative support to five Information Technology (IT) departments at Oregon Intel locations.
- Quickly learned the newly-implemented Intel employee database system and developed shared database queries, used throughout the IT Human Resource departments.
- Performed exit interviews for departing employees.
- Arranged meetings; developed and ran employee database queries; answered HR-related employee questions; and assisted with semi-annual employee review process.
- Prepared expense reports and travel arrangements.

CDI NORTHWEST AT INTEL CORP., HILLSBORO, OR, NOV 1995 TO DEC 1996

- Worked in a variety of temporary positions at Intel Corporation in Hillsboro, OR.
- Worked for the anGLe (accounting) project providing in-house customer support.
- Provided administrative support to a number of managers at Intel Corp.

OFFICE MANAGER, WEST VALLEY SECURITY, CUPERTINO, CA, 1994 AND 1986 TO 1987

- Maintained accounts payable and receivable, prepared purchase orders and audited invoices.
- Tracked hours and prepared payroll checks and tax reports.
- Reconciled checkbook and cash registers and frequently deposited cash on hand.
- Ordered inventory, and prepared quotes and correspondence.

LEGAL SECRETARY, SCHMIT, MORRIS, BITTNER & SCHMIT, OAKLAND, CA, MAY 1992 TO SEP 1992

- During summer, worked for attorney Carleton H.A. Taber.
- Prepared correspondence and court documents by transcription or instruction, including copying, faxing, filing, and serving.
- Implemented a new diary system and organized case files.

LEGAL SECRETARY, HANNA, BROPHY, MACLEAN, MCALEER & JENSEN, OAKLAND, CA, 1988 TO 1991

- Prepared correspondence and court documents by transcription or instruction, including copying, faxing, filing, and serving.
- Maintained calendar and diary system including calculation of deadlines.
- Developed an extensive collection of master word processing documents.
- Maintained legal library updates.

Additional experience available upon request.

Activities

Oregon Paralegal Association, member; Pacific Northwest Paralegal Association, member

Hobbies

Quilting, medieval costuming, researching and restoring my 1912 Craftsman home.