# LAURA C. MEES

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### **OBJECTIVE**

Experienced and highly motivated paralegal with exceptional interpersonal communication, analytical and time management skills seeks employment in a fast-paced, high-energy legal environment

## **SKILLS**

**SOFTWARE** | Microsoft Office Suite, WordPerfect, iWork, LexusNexus, Westlaw, Adobe Acrobat

CUSTOMER SERVICE | Strong verbal skills, professional appearance and demeanor, conflict resolution training

**RESEARCH** Investigative and research skills utilizing electronic databases, internet, and library databases

WRITING | Comprehensive understanding of English spelling and grammar, Type 60 – 65 WPM

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### KERN, NODA, DEVINE & SEGAL | SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Insurance Defense \*Personal Injury \*Construction Defect \*Employment \*Landlord-Tenant \*Premises Liability

Consistently demonstrated high aptitude, exceptional work ethic, time management and organizational,

research and reporting skills leading to progressively increased responsibilities and expectations

# Paralegal • Assistant Office Manager 40 hours per week

Fall 2009 - Present

- Analyzes and summarizes medical, employment, Workers' Compensation, prison and insurance records
- Drafts discovery requests, mediation and arbitration statements, settlement conference statements and pre-trial briefs
- Upgrades office computers by installing antivirus programs, network printers, and network scanners
- · Creates marketing materials such as flyers and brochures highlighting firm services
- · Hires and trains junior legal assistants and secretaries

#### **Summer Law Clerk**

## 15 hours per week

**Summer 2009** 

- · Summarized recorded statements and deposition transcripts
- Organized recently opened files
- · Reviewed and summarized records in increasingly complex cases

#### INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

### LELAND YEE FOR MAYOR | SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Exhibited excellent time management skills, oral and written communication, analytical writing and research skills while simultaneously maintaining full-time employment and full-time academic commitments

## **Special Assignments Intern**

## 15 hours per week

**Spring**, 2011

- · Planned key fundraising events for 500+ people by managing teams of up to twenty interns and volunteers
- · Conducted research and subsequently created policy proposals on key groups, issues and demographics

#### **EDUCATION / CERTIFICATES**

## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

Paralegal Certificate

Intellectual Property • Criminal Procedures • Tort Law • Legal Research • Legal Writing

#### PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts in Criminology

Anticipates completion in Spring 2012

#### UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Fall 2008 – Spring 2011

Corporate Law • Research & Analysis • National Politics • International Relations • Foreign Policy • Rhetoric • Composition • Education • Technology • Psychology • Conflict Resolution