


KIRSI H. RALKO

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EDUCATION

FULL STACK
Carleton University
2020-2021

MEDIATION
York University
2020

LAW
University of Manitoba
2012 - 2015

BUSINESS
Lakehead University
2008 -2012

SKILLS

Communication

Time Management

Problem Solving

Logical Reasoning

Adaptability

Research

Leadership

Teamwork

Public Speaking

Decision-Making

Organization

PROFILE

Litigation lawyer and certified mediator with more than just a legal background – and business school graduate with real-life managerial & administrative experience. Former Information Systems major with newly minted software development credentials.

Seeking to apply my existing skills to new challenges, ideally in the technology sector. Open to relocation within Ontario or remote work.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

LAWYER & OWNER

Kirsi Ralko Barrister & Solicitor, Kenora ON | *July 2019 - Present*

Lawyer in good standing with the Law Society of Ontario (since 2016) and owner/operator of a solo practice established in July 2019. Primary focus on family law, both litigation and non-litigation. Responsible for all business administration and management of general and mixed trust accounts.

CITY COUNCILLOR

City of Kenora, Kenora ON | *December 2018 - Present*

Elected as Councillor-at-Large for the 2018 to 2022 term. Presently acting as deputy mayor and chair for closed meeting sessions.

Boards and Committees related to this role:

- Business Improvement Area ("Harbourtown BIZ")
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Youth Council
- Economic Development Commission
- Kenora Public Library Board of Directors
- Women in Politics in Northwestern Ontario

ASSOCIATE LAWYER

Shewchuk, Ormiston et. al. LLP, Kenora ON | *June 2016 – June 2019*

Associate in a boutique general practice firm. Also assisted the partnership with marketing activities. Litigation and solicitor's work in the areas of family, civil, real estate, wills & estates and setting up Canadian Controlled Private Corporations.

Previous position at this firm: *Articling Student (2015 – 2016)*

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONT.

CO-FOUNDER & COMPANY OWNER

1885 Wine & Whisky Room, Kenora ON | Oct 2017 - Oct 2019

President of 2600207 Ontario Inc., operating as "1885 Wine & Whisky Room", a wine/whisky lounge and art gallery featuring live musical acts. Responsible for business management, payroll, maintenance of liquor license and health inspection requirements, and occasionally crafting the perfect Old Fashioned.

EDUCATION (IN-DEPTH)

FULL STACK FLEX CERTIFICATE

Carleton University | 2020 - May 2021 (Anticipated)

- Graduation will require the submission of 3 projects completed in teams using agile methods
- HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery, Node.js, APIs, MySQL, React

CERTIFICATE IN FAMILY MEDIATION

York University | 2020

- Member of the Ontario Association of Family Mediators (OAFM)
- Certified to conduct mediations, including using Online Dispute Resolution
- Currently pursuing AccFM Designation

JURIS DOCTOR

University of Manitoba (Robson Hall Faculty of Law) | 2012 - 2015

- Robson Hall Negotiation Competition Finalist
- Volunteer Counsel with the U of M Community Law Centre

HONOURS BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

Lakehead University | 2008 - 2012

- Majors: General Management & Information Systems
- Minor: Finnish Language
- First Class Standing / "Dean's List"