

# HAWAH SAFA AHMAD

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## EDUCATION

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### **University of Hampshire, Paul School of Business, Online**

*Master's in Business Administration (MBA)*, Expected Graduation May 2022

*Specialization in Business Data Analytics and Information Systems*

### **University of Maine School of Law, Portland, ME**

*Juris Doctor (JD)*, January 2019

*Certificate in Information Privacy*, January 2019

Study Abroad: Reykjavik University, Reykjavik, Iceland, Fall 2018

*Courses taken: World Trade Organization, Transfer Pricing, International Law and the Arctic, and European Law: Internal Markets*

### **University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV**

*Bachelor of Science, Neuroscience*, May 2015

- Undergraduate researcher in Visual Perception Laboratory under Faculty Supervisor, Michael Webster, Ph. D.
  - Adaptation and visual search in mammographic images, spring 2013: worked under Elyse Kompaniez-Dunigan to run the experiment and analyze data. Awarded 1ST Place at the University of Nevada, Reno Psi Chi Research Fair and Poster Presentation, April 2013.
  - Adaptation and Perceptual Norms in Gender Identification, 2014-2015: planned, coded and conducted experiment to test if the perception of gender is subject to adaptation and presented pilot findings at undergraduate research fair.
- Recipient of the General Undergraduate Research Award (GURA), May 2014 and oral presenter at the University of Nevada Undergraduate Research Fair

*Bachelor of Arts, Political Science*, May 2015

- Undergraduate researcher under Faculty Supervisor, Susanne Martin, Ph. D.
  - Research was a cross-correlational study of national and transnational terrorism between the United States and Pakistan to determine the role of regime type, presence of religion and media in twenty-first Century Terrorism. Presented poster and paper at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), April 2013

## EMPLOYMENT

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### **Clark County Education Association, Las Vegas, NV**

*Contract Lobbyist*, October 1, 2020 – Present

- Perform political assessments of Nevada's legislators as it relates to where they stand on education issues, funding, new funding, and rebuilding Nevada's economy
- Research new and existing revenue in relation to rebuilding Nevada's economy and education
- Assess key education stakeholders in Northern Nevada as it relates to supporting new revenue, restructuring revenue, and moving forward with investing in Nevada's economy and education

### **Lyon County, Yerington, NV**

*Law Clerk at the Third Judicial District Court of Nevada*, June 10, 2019 – December 3, 2020

- Worked directly with District Court Judge with the processing and analysis of motions, petitions, appeals and writ petitions
- Performed legal research, preparation of bench memos and drafting orders and opinions, proofreading and editing the assistance in the composition of other work produced in chambers

### **Silver State Government Relations, Carson City, NV**

*Associate, March 2019 – June 3, 2019*

- Lobbyist for Nevada's 80<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session
- Lobbied politicians directly and solicit political support indirectly
- Conducted policy research and draft reports, presentations, and proposed amendments for elected officials
- Drafted political updates and agendas for client on political strategy, negotiation, legal analysis, and testimony for legislative committee hearings
- Clients include: The Charter School Association of Nevada (CSAN), the Las Vegas City Employees Association (LVCEA), International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1245 (IBEW 1245), the Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, and Scientists for Consumer Safety

### **International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), Portsmouth, NH**

*Legal Extern, June 2018 – August 2018*

- Worked closely with the IAPP's Data Protection Officer to draft privacy and security policies for the IAPP, reviewed vendor agreements, and researched domestic and international law
- Developed the first finalized version for the IAPP's Cookie Notice for web-visitors worldwide
- Reviewed California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018
- Wrote and published "*Analysis: Vermont's Data Broker Regulation*" for the IAPP's Privacy Tracker

### **IDEXX Laboratories, Inc., Westbrook, ME**

*Data Migration (Temporary Data Employee), May 2017 – August 2018*

- Assisted in-house attorneys with database management of procurement and distribution contracts
- Reviewed key terms in contracts, created metadata and transferred contracts from centralized database to cloud computing database (SpringCM)
- Reviewed Data Processing Agreements, licensing agreements, procurement, and distribution agreements for ease of access for financial reports

### **Law Offices of Kenneth A. Stover, Reno, NV**

*Office Manager, Nov 2014 - July 2016*

- Coordinated case preparation, and drafted legal documents (Petitions to Seal Records and associated paperwork, mandatory court documents, discovery requests, and edited appeal documents)
- Coordinated communications and scheduling with clients, courts, and judicial offices
- Provided support services for advertisements, websites, and merging of Law Offices of Kenneth A. Stover to Stover § Jordan (the firm purposefully uses the section mark instead of an "&").

### **University of Nevada, Reno Writing Center, Reno, NV**

*Writing Consultant, August 2013 - May 2015*

- Worked one-on-one with undergraduate and graduate students across academic disciplines to identify and address writing high level and low-level writing concerns

### **Friends for Kitty Jung/Re-Election of County Commissioner Jung, Reno, NV**

*Campaign Manager, June 2014 - November 2014*

- Coordinated field operations for successful campaign
- Composed all campaign literature, phone bank scripts, and canvassing scripts; script for all candidate appearances; coordinated with Finance Manager for campaign expense report filing

## EXPERIENCE

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### **University of Nevada, Reno Cybersecurity Center Colloquia**

*Guest Lecturer, September 2019*

- Nothing to Hide: An Introduction to Data Privacy and Why it Matters
  - At this one-time lunch colloquial as part of the University's cyber security center's lunch colloquia series I introduced data privacy and the current national and European frameworks that must be applied when creating software that includes privacy by design.

### **2019 Privacy, Security Risk, International Association of Privacy Professionals**

*Attended, September 2019*

- Peer-to-Peer Volunteer on the Implications of State Legislation on Ethics and Trust
  - Led discussion on how privacy professionals must step into the political ring to ensure effective and feasible data privacy state legislation is implemented that promotes ethical data collection and usage and consumer trust.

### **Sigma Kappa**

*Work-group member to the Sigma Kappa National Work Group on Diversity and Inclusion, March 2019- June 2020  
Advisor to the Vice President of Communications and Operations, Vice President of New Membership, Triangle Correspondent, and Webmaster of the University of Rhode Island, Rho Chapter, 2017- June 2020*

### **2018 Arctic Circle Assembly, Arctic Circle**

*Attendee, October 2018*

### **2018 Research Integrity Symposium, University of Southern Maine Office of Compliance**

*Attended as a Scholarship Recipient, May 2018*

### **2018 Global Summit, International Association of Privacy Professionals**

*Attended as a Scholarship Recipient, March 2018*

- Peer-to-Peer Volunteer on the Ethical Guidelines of Consent and Privacy
- Led discussion on how major companies like Microsoft and Uber utilize and fail to utilize consent and privacy guidelines that promote ethical collection and use of data to eventually mimic Microsoft's trusted user experience.

### **National Association of the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)**

*General Member & Youth and College Branch Assistant Advisor - Reno/Sparks Chapter, 2011 - July 2016*

- Voting member at the 106th NAACP National Convention in Philadelphia, PA

### **Young Democrats of Nevada**

*President, August 2014- May 2016*

- Pledged Party Leader at the 2016 Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia, PA
- Executive Board Member of the Nevada State Democratic Party, 2014-2016
- Voting member to the Young Democrats of America and College Democrats of America meetings and conventions 2014-2016
- Organized and managed two school district wide voter registration drives in Washoe County School District and various university campus and community voter registration drives between 2011-2016

## CERTIFICATION

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## **Certified Information Privacy Professional/ Europe (CIPP/E)**

The International Association of Privacy Professionals, *Portsmouth, NH*

### **PUBLICATIONS**

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Hawah Ahmad, CIPP/E, *Analysis: Vermont's data broker regulation*, The IAPP Privacy Tracker (11 July 2018), available at: <https://iapp.org/news/a/analysis-vermonts-data-broker-regulation/>

Hawah Ahmad, CIPP/E, *Nevada passes consumer opt-out bill*, IAPP.org (5 July 2019), available at: <https://iapp.org/news/a/nevada-passes-consumer-opt-out-bill/>