# 49 Montgomery Ave I Timmins O N

# MELISSA LEBLANC

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#### SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Bilingual in French and English. Basic knowledge of Ojibwe and Cree
- Proficient in Microsoft Office, Adobe Pro, Google Suites (Drive, Sheets), Canli, and Westlaw
- · Conducted independent study, lead projects and assignments
- Ability to manage workloads efficiently
- Ability to maintain strict levels of confidentiality in handling sensitive information
- Knowledge of Indigenous culture, heritage, history, and traditions
- Strong knowledge of Trauma-Informed Care
- Performs administrative duties efficiently
- Experience in advocacy in legal and social settings

#### **EDUCATION**

# Trent University Bachelor of Arts Indigenous Studies. Sir Sandford Fleming College Paralegal Diploma TRAINING/EXPERIENCE • Standard First Aid – Level C Heartzap Safety Training & Equipment • Trauma Informed Care and the Therapeutic Process Restoring Balance Consulting with Gerald Kiesman.

# • Gladue Writer Certificate

Indigenous Perspective Society & Royal Roads University

2022

• Foundations in FASD Training Course

"CANFASD"

2022

Trauma-informed Care (TIC)

Alberta Health Services - Canadian Addition Counsellors Certification Federation

2022

• Niijkiwendidaa Anishnabekwewag Honors Certificate

Niijkiwendidaa Anishnaabekwewag Services Circle,

2017

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **Timmins Native Friendship Centre**

Timmins, ON

Finance Clerk

2024 - Present

- Proficient in financial data management systems, such as Sage 50 and PayDirt Software
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to prioritize tasks and meet deadlines in a fast-paced environment.
- Strong analytical skills, capable of identifying discrepancies and resolving financial discrepancies
- Commitment to confidentiality and integrity in handling sensitive financial information

École Monseigneur Jamot

Peterborough, ON

- Read, categorized and routed daily correspondence
- Responded to high volume phone calls and emails daily.
- Accurately entered and updated data records in the company database
- Created and implement lesson plans based on children interest and curiosities

## Centre Éducatif Les Petits Curieux

Peterborough, ON

2018 - 2019

Early Childhood Educator

- Facilitated outdoor learning experiences and the involvement of nature as much as possible
- Observed and kept track of each child's learning progress, emotional behaviours, and social skills enabling successful project execution and team efficiency
- Maintained certified in CPR, First Aid, and Worker's Health and Safety Awareness Training

#### VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Notetaker 2021-2024

Trent University

- Responsible for providing clear and legible handwritten/computer-generated notes for students with learning disabilities
- Efferently managed time during lecture and events to ensure all essential information is capture accurately
- Technical skills using different mediums of note-taking tools and software to engage efficiency for accessibility for notes

# Take Back the Night March

2023

Timmins and Area Women in Crisis Centre

- Joined community members, activists, and survivors in a nighttime march against sexual assault and violence
- Collaborated with local organizations, women's shelters, and advocacy groups
- Actively supported survivors by attending and engaging in activities that encourages sharing stories and fostering community support
- Contributed to a global movement advocating for an end to gender-based violence and oppression

Sister in spirit Vigil 2022

Timmins Native Friendship Centre

- Raised awareness about the disproportionately high rates of violence faced by Indigenous women and advocating for systemic changes to address the root causes
- Effective public speaking skills for addressing the audience and conveying important message about violence against Indigenous women
- Skills in creating a supportive and healing environment for communal grief and strength-building

# AWARDS

- Indspire's Building Brighter Futures Award
- National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund
- Hazel Education and Long-Term Education Award
- W. Ross Pinkerton Memorial Scholarship Award
- Mandamin Award with matching funds from the Government of Canada

### REFERENCES

Available upon request