 **Leigh Loren Cain**

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Nationality: South African

**EDUCATION**

**2009, 2010 - 2012: Bachelor of Law (LLB), University of Cape Town (UCT)**

**2005 – 2007: Bachelor of Law (LLB), University of Stellenbosch (US)**

*Transferred to University of Cape Town*

**2004: Bachelor of Arts (Language & Culture), University of Stellenbosch (US)**

*Completed first year courses*

**2003: National Senior Certificate, the Settlers High School, Western Cape**

*Matriculated with four distinctions*

*Additional Training*

**2012: Afrikaans for Law (14 hours), CHED and Continuing Education (UCT)**

**2010: Continuous Learning Certificate (RE1 Exam), Financial Services Board (FSB)**

**2009 - 2010: National Certificate: Wealth Management (NQF5), Financial Planning Institute (FPI)**

**ACHIEVEMENTS & LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

**2008**: Committee member church youth group

**2006**: House Committee member of Lydia Residence (University of Stellenbosch)

*Portfolios: Diversity, 1st& 2nd year Committees, Fedics &Maintenance*

**2005:** Invited to Golden Key International Honour Society (Top 15% of the Faculty)

**2004- 2005:** First and second year committee member of Lydia Residence

**2003:** Chairperson of Interact Society and Prefect

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**2010-Present: L&L Financial Services, Financial Planner**

* Advising clients on how to start and/or maintain their financial portfolio.

**Feb 2012 – Nov 2012: UCT Law Clinic, Student Legal Advisor**

### Working with clients and conducting actual litigation under guidance of the attorneys at UCT Law Clinic.

**2008-2009: L & L Financial Services, Administrator**

* General administration duties, prospecting and assisting with practice management.

**2003–2005: Woolworths, Cashier**

**SKILLS**

**Language abilities:** Fluent in English and Afrikaans. I can read, write and speak basic isiXhosa. I also have a basic understanding of German.

**IT Skills:** Proficient in Microsoft packages such as Outlook, MSWord, Excel, PowerPoint and Law databases such as JutaStat, Lexis Nexis and Heinonline.

**Communication:** I enjoy public speaking and I have been a reader at my church since the age of fourteen. I also participated in a moot and mock trial at UCT.

**Team work:** I have held numerous leadership positions throughout high school and university. I also completed an emotional intelligence workshop at the UCT Student Wellness Centre.

**Resilience:** I completed my LLB despite the financial obstacles I faced.

**Organisational Skills:** In the last year of my LLB I balanced working at the UCT Law Clinic and being a financial planner with my law studies.

**INTERESTS & INVOLVEMENTS**

**Interests:**

**Feb-Present:** I started my own Facebook page, *Better Best You,* where I post daily inspirational messages.

**2008- 2009, Present:** I founded the Ocean’s Book Club.

**Community Involvement:**

**April 2013–Present**: Volunteer at ‘Happy Place’ Children’s Learning Academy where I tutor Grade 7 learners for two hours every week during the school term.

**2008-2009:** Volunteered at Mater Domini Home where I counselled residents of the home who are in situations of crisis such as pregnancy or suffering physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse.

**REFEREES**

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