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Education and Certifications

1999 Diplôme de Hautes Etudes Françaises/ Diplôme Approfondi de la Lanque Française

Université Catholique de Lyon, France

2000 Diploma of Commercial Translation

Alliance Française, Paris, France

2001 Bachelor of Arts in French (minor in Biology)

La Sierra University, Riverside, California

2001 Diploma Básico de Español como Lengua Extranjera

University of Valencia, Spain

Professional Experience

2002-Present Freelance Translator

French to English translation and proofreading of documents. Projects include financial, legal and business documents (reports, contracts, legal briefs, meeting minutes); international development documents; medical documents; communications/journalism (radio programming proposals, newspaper articles); product manuals, advertising and packaging; menus.

2007 Freelance Translator

Gonave Development Corporation

French to English translation and proofreading/editing of documents for development corporation. Documents include reports on economics, healthcare, demographics, geography, water management, tourism, arts; corporate management documents; legal documents including pending legislation.

2001-2014 Administrative Assistant

Naismith Engineering, Inc., Austin, Texas

Editing, proofreading and formatting general, environmental, and engineering documents; occasional Spanish to

English translation of documents related to water and wastewater management.

2001 Private contractor for French-language exam scoring

National Evaluation Systems, Inc., Austin, Texas

Evaluation and scoring of written and spoken French-language examinations.

2001 Professor of English as a Second Language

Direct English, Valencia, Spain

Conversational English classes for groups of two to ten adults.

Representative Translation/ Proofreading Projects

Business/Finance

French to English translation of call for tenders for the creation of a national e-mail service for the health and social services network of Quebec.

French to English translation of business contract (supplies/ invoicing/ payment) for an electronics design and manufacturing services company.

French to English translation of press information, profile of company and products for a leading producer of starches and sugars.

French to English translation of supervisory board meeting minutes for a transaction processor in the global travel and tourism industry.

Legal

French to English translation of business contract for a company in the petroleum industry.

French to English translation of employment contracts for a developer and producer of ophthalmic medical products.

French to English translation of legal brief for an intellectual property case in the entertainment industry.

French to English translation of personal documents for private clients: birth certificates, marriage certificates, legal announcements, etc.

International Development

French to English translation of Manual of Allotment Procedures and Management Norms for Community Forests (Government of Cameroon).

French to English translation of materials for proposal for a land tenure security project in Burkina Faso, including letters of interest, CVs and descriptions of projects completed by sub-contractors.

Proofreading/editing of English document outlining the general social context of La Gonâve Island, the social mandate of the State, local governance and an international development company's goals in intervention.

Proofreading/editing of English document presenting overview of educational proposals for an international development project in Haiti

Proofreading of French to English translation of Pre-Feasibility Reports for health system development and the development of the water supply of La Gon**â**ve, Haiti.

Medical

Numerous medical documents for insurance and clinical study purposes; hospital discharge letters; treatment records.

Journalism/ Arts/ Literature

French to English translation of a 91-page novel (modern setting with WWII elements).

French to English translation of newspaper article profiling a long-distance runner.

French to English translation of proposal and report on a European cultural radio program.

Proofreading of English short stories, novels and nonfiction essays for private clients.

Advertising/packaging

French to English translation of labeling/packaging for a French hair care company.

French to English translation of restaurant menu.