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### **Experience**

## Internal Audit - (Confidential) Insurance Company - Lebanon June 2019 - August 2022

- Draft the LOR (letter of representative) for inter- departmental operations in order to gauge the compatibility of work flow with organizational policies and procedures.
- Discuss the findings with the Audit team prior to the risk assessment and action initiation.
- Prepare the weighted risk score for each department in order to assess the scoring from moderate to critical risk.
- Conduct monthly cash count for the company in order to consolidate the system and cash on hand balances for all currencies.
- Conduct a random sampling test for payment vouchers and confirm the compliance with invoices, approvals, and proper accounting entries.
- Set up the audit plan with proper timing to execute it in addition to highlighting the issues that have to be tackled at each department.
- Review of the staff job and compatibility with their educational background and experience.
- Investigate about suspicious payments especially when no supporting documents are incorporated.
- Check out claim payments and their approvals and survey results credibility.
- Prepare and present reports that reflect audit results & communicate the results to management.

## M2R Kuwait - Group Internal Audit & Procurement in charge March 2016 – May 2017

- Reviewed existing business processes in place and made any necessary revisions or additions.
- Worked alongside human resources to update policy manuals and other documentation to ensure compliance by all staff involved.
- Ascertained that the subsidiary companies are in compliance with the group procedures and Kuwait labour law.
- Planned & carried out audit assignments on functional area basis to ensure clear objectives and scope are agreed prior to commencement of the audit
- Involved in pre and post implementation reviews for new system developments, and the review and follow up of computer security matters
- Discussed audit findings with management responsible focusing on business risk, control challenges and operational efficiency enhancements
- Prepared audit findings and recommendations
- Undertook follow up of significant recommendations to ascertain whether improvement actions have been implemented
- Involved in business projects and/or ad hoc assignments (e.g. selfassessment programmes, investigations etc), contributing risk and control expertise together with analytical and investigative skills
- Keep up to date with business developments (including acquisitions, new systems, new products and services etc)
- Set a schedule for the items to be purchased within a time frame
- Ensured compliance and standardization in collaboration with the various outlets needs
- Met with different suppliers to assess the products and their compatibility with what is required for each outlet.

- Collaborated with key persons to ensure the specifications and needs of certain products are being met.
- Negotiated with vendors to arrive at competitive prices without compromising quality and comparing different quotes.
- Supervised sales contract preparation, including terms of payment, shipping schedule & ETA of products
- Worked jointly with the Warehouse on space management.
- Supervised the timely coverage of events that were organized by the company and supervised all related social media content.
- Controlled the content of social media that was produced by the social media team.

#### **Achievements:**

- Decreased overhead costs by \$5000 per month by introducing new store energy efficient tactics without compromising on quality or brand standards.
- Drafted proper ordering procedures in order to avoid inventory wastes.
- Managed proper transfer of goods to and for outlets to avoid stock duplication.

### Al Argan Insurance Brokers - Branch Manager August 2013 - October 2015

- Assessed clients' risk management profile.
- Managed and maintained the existing company portfolio of client base.
- Monitored all insurance-related policy renewals.
- Researched insurers to find the most suitable insurance for clients at the best price.
- Assembled special types of insurance cover in complex cases.
- Debugging human errors.
- Devised new ways to mitigate risks.
- Ensured clients' awareness of policy coverage in line with their industry.
- Amended policy conditions, terms & exclusions when required.
- Counsel clients on their policy claims.
- Supervised other departments in acquiring new clients.
- Developed relationships with underwriters, surveyors, and other professionals.
- Keeping up-to-date with changes in the insurance market.

### **Achievements:**

- Successfully recovered bad debt expenses of the company through follow up on each and every customer account for the amount of USD 150.000/-.
- Landed 2 new contracts that were worth of almost USD 2 million.
- Maintained the portfolio of existing customers which was worth around USD 30 million.

### GlobeMed LTD. Company (TPA) - Assistant Manager –Insurance Claims Dept January 2013 – July 2013

- Submitted weekly progress reports and ensured claims were accurate.
- Ensured that policy limitations and deductibles are entered within the company's database.
- Authenticated that the table of benefits is circulated to medical providers.
- Tracked record activity on medical claims.
- Liaised with insurance companies to improve patient medical share.

# **Zurich Insurance Company - Assistant Underwriting Manager August 2009 – October 2012**

- Underwritten all types of insurance lines in collaboration with the Hub at DIFC for (property all risks, casualty, workmen compensation, and the like)
- Provided quotes, underwritten new business, endorsements and completed workload in a timely manner.
- Performed modelling techniques on clients to establish premium rates.

- Made physical inspections and analyzed other related underwriting data to determine risk levels for new policies.
- Interacted with Dubai International Financial Center for new queries that are beyond the branch's authority.
- Appealed to customers' problems & resolve them.
- Communicated with international brokers for Global insurance renewals.
- Ensured timely premium payments with brokers &/or customers
- Provided assistance to accounts in collecting outstanding premium payments.
- Declined excessive risks.
- Decreased value of policy when risk is substandard.
- Evaluated possibility of losses due to catastrophe or excessive insurance.
- Scrutinized documents to determine degree of risk from such factors as applicant financial standing and value and condition of property.
- Reviewed company records to determine amount of insurance in force on single risk or group of closely related risks.
- Analyzed financial data
- Evaluated degree of financial risk
- Followed up on contract, property, or insurance laws
- Gathered relevant financial data
- Identified financial risks to company
- Reviewed data on insurance applications or policies
- Supervised subordinates in the underwriting section, and the writing of policy terms and conditions.
- Managed the product brochures and arranged with printing houses for editing the articles when needed.
- Developed strategic messaging system to be delivered across all clients Achievements:
- Preserved good connections with brokers that led to new projects insured and were almost worth of USD 3 million.
- Handled customer enquiries that were good enough to maintain them for further business renewals.
- Prepared for customers' requirements in advance and was compliant with deadlines.

# Sultan Center - Kuwait - Corporate Category Manager - Space Planning April 2008 - August 2009

- Prepared the standards (required equipment, new machines, etc...) for the existing and new store layouts.
- Sourced and purchased fixtures for all outlets.
- Followed-up with finance for supplier outstanding payments.
- Organized shipments of machinery to various company destinations.
- Supervised all required equipment for corporate & country branches' projects.
- Managed all new store projects & ensure operations are implemented properly.
- Supported in drafting strategic guidelines, policies and SOP's for store layouts & Plano-gramming, visual merchandising, rentals and shop fitting.
- Coordinated with the operations team to avoid any delays.
  Achievements:
- Prepared daily and monthly reports utilizing Microsoft excel and word
- Prepared employee schedule, performance reviews, and trained and coached new and existing team members.
- Handled employee relations, attendance and leaves and ensured all health and safety regulations were properly implemented.

 Ordered and received products and performed regular monthly inventory and maintained food cost and maintained weekly maintenance as needed and processed preventive maintenance.

## Gulf Insurance Company - Kuwait City - Assistant Manager for Group Life & Individual Department April 2006 – Jan.2008

- Reviewed and analyzed the new insurance application requests.
- Generated automated system reports to review renewals, claims status, and advised clients &/or brokers accordingly.
- Liaised between the agents and the clients regarding loss ratios and retention issues.
- Followed- up with Medical & group life claims.
- Prepared medical quotations for new leads.
- Negotiated with clients' required insurance coverage.
- Sustained accurate records of discussions or correspondence with customers.
- Supported sales team in yielding new prospects.
- Written to field representatives, medical personnel, and others to obtain further information, quote rates, and explained company underwriting policies.
- Offered competitive rates to clients' to win the business.

### **Achievements:**

- Handled customers' needs and inquiries (by phone, in-person, fax or email); managed and resolved complaints in a timely and professional manner.
- Confirmed orders and offered suggestive selling and after-sales service resulting in repeated business.
- Ensured that all guests' correspondence were handled appropriately while maintaining guests' satisfaction.

# National Bank of Kuwait - Kuwait City - Team Assistant - Consumer Banking Nov. 2004 - April 2006

- Take the workload off colleagues and allowing them to focus on improving projects.
- Handling bank clients' demands and attending to their requests.
- Help with administrative tasks that are vital to meeting deadlines in favour of processing loans on time for clients who are in urgent need for money.
- Work under the direct supervision of Sales team leaders to schedule sales team appointments with clients.
- Organizing internal team meetings and alerting team members about pending duties.
- Sorting emails by importance, making copies, running errands, preparing documents and organizing electronic files.
- Opened accounts, processed credit card applications, & established loans' calculations for the customers.
- Provided a methodology to identify and analyse the financial impact of loss to the bank.
- Prepared risk management and insurance budgets and allocated claim costs and premiums to departments and divisions.
- Maintained records including insurance policies, claim and loss experience.
- Assisted in the review of major loan applications.
- Insured that claims are being settled fairly, consistently, and in the best interest of the entity.
- Provided information necessary for the risk manager to review and identify loss exposures.

### **Achievements:**

- Over delivered on sales targets and ranked top 3 best sales men.
- Trained new sales associates to deliver quality customer service and target sales.

 Increased sales by 15% through developing direct marketing campaigns.

# Jubaili Bros.- Shuwaikh Port- Kuwait - Assistant Branch Manager July 2003 – Nov. 2004

- International Exposure through the company's branches in Lebanon, UAE, & Afghanistan.
- Devised wide data integration and inventory management system in the company wide data.
- Found the local Kuwaiti branch alongside with the branch manager.
- Implemented & managed the stock & accounting system
- Handled all the financial activities while acting as an in-charge office manager.
- Prepared company ledger accounts and financial consolidation.
- Developed market penetration strategies while cutting overhead cost, minimizing cost & maximizing profits.

#### **Achievements:**

- Landed a big contract for selling generators to Irag.
- Increased the company shares in the Kuwaiti market through closing up sales deals with clients.

Qualifications

### **Masters Degree in Business Administration**

Lebanese American University ~ June 2000- July 2003

Major MBA Courses: Marketing Management, Management Leadership. Financial Management, Quantitative Methods in Business, Research Methods in Business, Human Resource development (HRD), Commercial Bank Management, Financial Derivatives & business Economics

### **Bachelor of Sciences (Business Management)**

Lebanese American University ~ Oct.1997- June 2000

Major BS Courses: Managerial Finance, Accounting I, Accounting II, Cost Accounting, Business Law, Intro. to Management, Intro. to Marketing, Senior Management, Micro Economics, Macro Economics, Management Information System, Business Statistics, Organizational Behaviour & Computer Literacy.

#### **Skills**

- Quality Customer Service and Administration
- Excellent English and Arabic Communications, Marketing and Communications
- Problem Solving
- Microsoft Office Word, Excel PowerPoint, Office management and Publications
- Presentation skills
- Campaign and Events Management
- Social Media Expert
- Compliance Assessment
- Team Management
- Editing and Underwriting
- Teamwork ,Public Relations

	Interests
Reading, acting, Baske	tball, swimming, & listening to music.
	References

Available up on request.