Kimberly Kisner

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SECURITY CLEARANCE: Secret – Granted November 2013

WORK HISTORY

QinetiQ North America *Market and Strategy Analysis Intern*

Reston, Virginia May 2012-April 2013

- Open source analysis of information used to provide an understanding of events in the national and international security environment
- Market analysis of products, needs and desires to provide insight into demand-signal needs of required capability in the defense community
- Provided senior decision makers with relevant background information and a variety of options
- Directly supported senior executives engaged in an internationally recognized symposium, the Association of the United States Army's annual exposition

Texas Public Policy Foundation

Austin, Texas

Intern for Center of Tenth Amendment Studies and Center for Fiscal Policy

October 2010-May 2011

- Authored and assisted in the research and writing of papers on important issues for Texas and the United States
- Worked directly with Center directors and policy analysts and engaged in regular policy discussions

Admiral Arthur W. Radford High School Transition Center

Honolulu, Hawaii

Volunteer/ Lead Volunteer

August 2005-June 2007

 Hand-picked member of team that eased transition concerns of students adapting into a new school during the school year

EDUCATION

M.S. Defense and Strategic Studies	May 2013
Missouri State University's Department of Defense and Strategic Studies	GPA 3.8
B.A., College of Liberal Arts (Plan II Honors Program)	May 2011
The University of Texas at Austin	GPA 3.7

Study Abroad

National University of Ireland, Galway

Jan-May 2010

EXPERIENCE

Master's Thesis: Biological Weapons and Terrorism

Fall 2012-Spring 2013

- Analyzed the lessons and implications taken from two state program case studies and four examples of terrorists
 desiring or achieving a biological weapons capability
- Aims to understand the effects on biological weapons programs due to the biotechnology revolution
- Assesses terrorists' interest in a biological weapon and determines what motivations exist for a terrorist to target and work towards acquiring a biological weapon
- Concludes that there is a growing bioterrorism threat and provides two paths for policy-makers to take when addressing the threat

Honors Undergraduate Thesis, UT Austin

Fall 2010-Spring 2011

- Researched the history of cryptography and its impact on the United State's government
- Analyzed present day impacts in cryptology and presented ideas on the future of the science

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Language: Four semesters of French at the University of Texas
- Rumsfeld Foundation Fellowship Grant recipient
- Able to assimilate immediately into a team due to experience gained from numerous moves and associated requirement to adjust and quickly adapt to different people, cultures and situations due to father being a member of the U.S. Air Force—experience gained from living outside the United States in the United Kingdom, Germany, Belgium, Ireland and in the U.S. states of Texas, North Carolina, Kansas, Rhode Island, Virginia, Hawaii and Florida