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**Job objective:**

Passionate and dedicated animal training professional with over 5+ years of experience in the field, looking forward to obtaining a challenging job where I can apply my knowledge to impart training and care for animals along with the team.

**Summary of Skills:**

* Exceptional knowledge about animal behavior and in-depth information about various veterinary medical equipment
* Ability to conduct group or private classes to teach obedience techniques to aggressive animals
* Good at identifying risky situations, and moving people to safe zones to control stray animals
* Aware about federal animal welfare laws, and promoter of animal rights
* Ability to develop good relationships with clients
* Flexible, good communicator, and capable of working in harsh surroundings
* Strong organizational, and time management skills

**Work Experience:**

Senior Animal Trainer

Friends with Paws Incorporation, Los Angeles, CA

May 2016 – Present

* Providing training to dogs, dolphins, monkeys, and other people-friendly animals
* Organizing interactive sessions with news reporters
* Encouraging guests to touch, communicate with horses, and go for short rides while taking full care of their safety
* Training new born animals, and dogs bought to the center on obeying orders, and giving performance for entertaining people
* Assisting veterinary doctors in providing medication, and treatment to injured animals like lions, tigers, horses, and others
* Training multiple animals to interact with each other, and organizing entertainment shows for children on weekends
* Supervising entry-level, mid-level trainers in animal training department, and teaching them tricks to control aggressive behavior
* Performing routine check-ups on animals to analyze their health conditions, and diagnose medical issues in time

Animal Trainer

Christmont Animal Training School, Los Angeles, CA

December 2014 – April 2016

* Trained 10+ dolphins at state's aquarium center to interact with visitors
* Ensured safety of guests, public visitors, and children during visits to zoos, theme parks, and helped them interact with animals from a safe distance
* Worked with animals on implementation of new behavior to develop friendly behavior, and ensured safety of people around them
* Provided training to different animals like dogs, tigers, elephants to create entertainment acts for circus
* Gave in-home training and informed familes about precautions to be taken for adopting pets for the first time
* Conducted entertainment programs with different animals at various parks, and responded to special requests by guests
* Took responsibility to train security dogs for detecting bomb explosives, grenades, and other harmful materials to assist the police department

**Volunteer:**

Assistant Animal Care Provider

Animal Humane Society, Los Angeles, CA

August 2012 – November 2014

* Groomed 20+ dogs of multiple breeds, and maintained their diet routines, exercise schedules, and play time
* Assessed animals brought to the shelter to determine their health conditions, and coordinated with veterinary doctors for treating sick animals
* Collaborated with other volunteers to keep cages, sleeping units, and grooming zones sanitized
* Interacted with pets, and stray animals to help them get used to shelter home surrounding, and trained them using different signs or commands
* Followed owners' instructions for their pets' diet, and taught obedience to pups, kittens, mules, and other animals
* Provided training to pets to assist people with disability, and protect apartments from burglaries
* Understood characteristics of multiple breeds, and learned techniques to control aggressive animals

**Education:**

* Associate Degree in Veterinary Technology – California State University   
  Los Angeles, Ca 90032   
  2014
* Bachelor's Degree in Animal Psychology   
  California State University, Los Angeles, CA   
  2012

**Certification:**

* NACA Certified Animal Controller, 2012

**Affiliations:**

* Central California Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Los Angeles  
  Member since 2012

**Reference:**

On request.