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Dear Ciara Loftus,

I am writing to you in response to the 2023 Legal Summer Internship opportunity offered in the careers section of ByrneWallace LLP's website, for which I would like to be considered.

I graduated from Dublin Business School with a BA Upper Second-Class Honours in Business and Law in 2020 and I am currently in the final year of an Honours Postgraduate Law Programme at University College Cork.

My interest in corporate law stemmed from my fascination with business during my undergraduate studies which, led me from questions of ethics to comprehensive analysis of the role of law in supporting stable and equitable institutions. My modules, especially Company law and Corporate Governance, ignited my interest as I finally understood how the law and the possible implications regulated businesses.

Furthermore, intense precisions, commitments to external competitions and a thirst for completing tasks to the utmost perfection under strenuous time constraints - though this will involve a lot of hard work, it is this that, attracts me to the life of a corporate solicitor. I am increasingly attracted to a career in corporate law at ByrneWallace LLP for its dual-faceted nature. On the one hand, I will have the opportunity to further study the law, and engage, on a more academic level, with the field. On the other hand, I will apply my theoretical knowledge in a practical environment and, in doing so, effect tangible results that are played out in the commercial sphere. Consequently, being a corporate solicitor at ByrneWallace LLP will, provide me with a unique opportunity to effect practical solutions and generate material results for corporate clients whilst also, indulging my academic interest in, and appreciation of the law.

I am excited about the prospect of working for ByrneWallace LLP because, it would provide an excellent environment for me to develop my career in Law. ByrneWallace LLP's commitment to interns development is unmatched. After such a positive experience speaking with Justyna Samowedziuk, an administrator at the firm, I want to work for ByrneWallace LLP because of its commitment to trainees and interns. The firm's 'buddy system', whereby trainees are introduced to individuals in the firm their 'buddy' deems beneficial to their professional development, aligns with my values. Speaking at length on call with Justyna Samowedziuk in February 2023, we discussed about the open-door policy of the firm, inclusivity, collaborative environment, giving trainees intellectually stimulating and varied work from the outset to facilitate the progression of professional growth and development of the trainees. I believe ByrneWallace LLP's forward-thinking training structure provides for a better rounded and deeper education in law and business, one that I would greatly prefer to experience.

I am eager to demonstrate how I can be a valuable asset for ByrneWallace LLP and believe, I have the personal qualities required to succeed. My part-time work, particularly my time at Strategic Training and Business Services taught me the importance of basic professionalism such as punctuality, reliability, flexibility, and being good-natured. Alongside my undergraduate degree, I worked night shifts during periods when the store was short-staffed. My commitment to the job helped me understand the importance of sacrifice to help colleagues through difficult periods and the consequential long-term benefits of these sacrifices, such as developing strong relationships and a reliable reputation amongst my colleagues and superiors. I have excellent administrative and organizational skills and the ability to work both independently and with a group as evidenced by, my experience working as the Inbound Technical Process Executive at Infosys BPM Limited.

Furthermore, I believe that I can be an asset because, I am enthusiastic and solutions-orientated. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit in March 2020, I looked for opportunities that continued despite the circumstances, and I completed various corporate law firms virtual experience programmes on Forage where, I was involved in legal drafting, legal research and deals evaluation. I gained valuable, practical legal experience, developed my logical reasoning, critical thinking skills and client communication skills. These experiences have confirmed Law as my vocation.

As an ambitious individual, I am attracted by ByrneWallace LLP's work in its Corporate and Financial client services. Investing millions, these clients play a major role in the growth and shaping of the economy. ByrneWallace LLP's works with the likes of Marco Beverage Systems and Sceptre Hospitality Resources are, therefore high-stakes and market changing, which is exciting. These clients invest across a range of industries, the diversity of work appeals to me and for this reason, I am very interested to find out more about the team's experience working on the deals and ByrneWallace LLP's financial services seat.

Conclusively, I am volunteering as a Welfare Crew Member at my university and by being engaged in lending a voice, I have been able to enhance my team working abilities, improve my emotional intelligence, interpersonal and public speaking abilities. I recognised that these skills are indispensable for a career in Corporate Law at ByrneWallace LLP.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this. I am excited to have the opportunity to meet the members of the ByrneWallace LLP team and to impress in person. I am available for interview at your convenience.

Sincere thanks,
Bukola Oke.