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19th February 2023

## **Re: Summer Internship 2023**

Dear Gráinne McManus,

My name is Jack Walsh, I am a third-year law student at Trinity College Dublin, and I am eager to apply to the summer intern programme at Byrne Wallace.

I pride myself in having a great attention to detail, excellent time management skills and an eagerness to learn. I have extensive customer service experience from my previous role in Donnelly Fresh Foods and current position at Claire's Accessories. These roles have also helped me develop robust teamwork and problem-solving skills and the ability to thrive under pressure.

Byrne Wallace's real estate team is widely accepted as one of the leading property practices in Ireland, and this is one of the key factors that interests me in the firm. One case that piqued my interest was Michael Walsh's work on acting as lead lawyer on the major Dundrum Town Centre project, incorporating Ireland's largest shopping centre. The firm has also dealt with leading property developers such as Glenveagh PLC. This work seems really exciting to me, and I believe I would enjoy working on projects including new residential schemes and town centres. I am also interested in the firm's corporate practice. One case that stood out to me was Byrne Wallace's work in dealing with US Investment Fund in the sale of a €45 million commercial real estate loan portfolio to Ready Capital. Working at Byrne Wallace would allow me to train with some of the best lawyers in the country and a chance to work on complex legal issues, high-profile cases, and commercial disputes.

I am the current Outreach Officer for the Trinity Law Society and sit on the Trinity Law School's Student EDI Committee. The programme aims to break down the barriers that students often face in pursuing a law degree or legal career and does this by engaging with secondary school students and discussing the misconceptions they may have about studying law and pursuing a legal career. I will be participating in this year's charity boxing competition for the law society which involves six weeks of training and raising €200 for the LGBTQ+ charity, Belong To. Giving back to our communities is extremely important to me and Byrne Wallace's corporate social responsibility policy deeply resonates with me. I was impressed to see the firm's list of charitable endeavours to include fantastic causes such as Barnardos, International Woman's Day and Focus Ireland.

I would now like to put all the skills I have learned together and use them effectively to make a positive contribution to the team at Byrne Wallace and gain some hands-on experience in the corporate world.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my application. I am available for interview at any time convenient to you and I look forward very much to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Jack Walsh