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To whom it may concern

I am a third year undergraduate student at Trinity College Dublin wishing to apply for a summer internship at you Dublin offices. I learned about the programme mainly through word of mouth from students and some past pupils at our careers fair.

Interning at Byrne Wallace would allow me to continue my for a career in law as I hope to continue developing my skills and experience beyond the scope of my undergraduate degree. I am confident that I will contribute substantively to the internship programme as a whole because of my inquisitiveness which could aid the programme during various workshops and Q&A sessions. I am naturally quite interested in all the tasks I undertake which leads me to assess questions and issues beyond the scope of what may be expected at times. As a whole, the group would benefit from my presence because I am not too shy to challenge issues regardless of the strength of their precedence, I feel that my inquisitorial approach may help stimulate greater group discussions on various topics subsequently creating a greater learning experience for all. I also have strong soft skills as a result of my position as a sailing coach in which I hold the responsibility of up to 10 sailors at a time on the water. I have also managed to create impromptu theory classes in situations where the weather is too adverse to sail, I believe this shows that I can be unphased by unexpected events that negatively impact a plan or idea I set on.

During my penultimate year in my degree I have written numerous honours essays regarding grave issues such as climate inaction in the Duarte Agostinho proceedings and the controversial position of GDPR in relation to the push for the truth behind the Commissioned investigation behind mother and baby homes and other related matters in 2020. I have a particular interest in the evolution of legal matters in which I attempt to consistently maintain well-read about.

I am also currently studying abroad for my 2nd term of my penultimate year in Wallonia, Belgium at UCLouvain. Having already acquired a strong level of Spanish and Irish I am undertaking French lessons to diversify my language toolbox. As part of my studies here in Belgium we are learning about principles of Belgian and American Law which is very exciting after having spent most of my studies mainly within the narrow stem of Irish domestic law.

I have enclosed my CV highlighting my education and work experience. Usually when I am living in Ireland I work part-time as a delivery driver and a sailing coach in the National Yacht Club in Dun Laoghaire East Pier. I am also a member of the Trinity Sailing Club and despite having left competitive sailing during the pandemic I have been racing at an elite level in Road Cycling. I intend to spend some of my free time during the course of my Belgian studies to race ‘Professional Kermesses’ which are notoriously some of the most heated and challenging races in the world.

Having always maintained a highly athletic background with successful achievements as well as extraordinary academic accomplishments such as my Entrance Exam Award at Trinity for achieving the highest amount of Leaving certificate Points within my respective secondary school conveys my ability to manage time efficiently and perform under time constricted circumstances. I generally sustain a calm manner in pressure inducing situations thanks to my background in competitive sports and my journey in academic excellence which I promise to continue progressing in.

It would undoubtedly be a great honour to be considered for this role and I hope that you feel that I am the type of internee that Byrne Wallace would like to develop.

Sincerely,

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