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ByrneWallace LLP

Re: **Legal Summer Internship 2024**

Dear **Hiring Manager**,

I am writing to express my interest in the Legal Internship role at ByrneWallace LLP. I have a strong academic background, having completed both a Masters in Common Law, as well as an undergraduate degree in History & Philosophy. I was also afforded the opportunity to study abroad at the University of Washington in Seattle during my undergrad. I am confident that the skills I have obtained during my studies, as well as an enhanced global perspective through my international exchange, will enable me to excel in the commercial law sphere. An internship at ByrneWallace LLP represents an invaluable opportunity to apply such competencies in a professional setting, and would lay a strong foundation from which I could start my legal career.

ByrneWallace LLP's focus on Environmental and Natural Resources practices is what has drawn me to the firm. My interest in this field lies with my genuine desire to make a positive impact on the world, something that has resonated with me from my extensive travels. I most recently visited Costa Rica, the world's most biodiverse country. Such experiences have made me realise the extent of the environmental challenges that we face and have inspired me to pursue a career whereby I could help combat this. Moreover, my philosophical background has instilled in me an ethical understanding whereby I recognise the importance not only of sustainable environmental practices, but also the need for ethical business strategies and governance policies.

Furthermore, my dynamic and motivational characteristics strengthen my application for this role. I have a successful history of teamwork, which is most evident from my time playing with the University of Washington Men's Rugby team. Here I played a key role in helping out with inexperienced players, guiding them to their first win in five years. Moreover, I organised a fundraiser in November 2023 which raised over €17,000 for the Irish Cancer Society. This represents my strong moral principles, as well as commitment to the wider community.

I am excited about the opportunity to apply my skills and bring my vibrant character to ByrneWallace LLP. Through my unique academic background and the skills that I have acquired, I am confident that I can make a positive impact on the Legal Internship Programme. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

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