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To Whom It May Concern,

John F Kennedy once said, “Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future,” This quote has inspired me in my life and through my education as well. It has encouraged me to embrace change and to not dwell on the failings or implications of the past. I wanted to begin my letter with this quote because it has inspired me to be more adaptable, persistent, and creative in my life. It is also a glimpse into my own mindset and the energy I would bring to the 2023 summer internship. Before I go into detail as to why I want to be a Byrne Wallace Intern, I think it’s important to share my background and experience. Currently, I am a master’s student at the University of Limerick with a focus on International Commercial Law. I have spent the year studying topics such as international trade, competition law, economics, law of international business, terrorism law, and more. I am also a part of the Plassey Law Review at UL where I am both the public relations officer and one of the editors. Finally, I am also an active member at the UL Law Society. I feel that my master’s and involvement in UL’s Law clubs and societies has better prepared me to work in a collaborative setting and advanced my knowledge in a wide variety of ways. Furthermore, I also have completed two bachelor’s degree, a BA in



English Literature and an LLB. I completed my BA in English Lit at the University of Central Florida while my LLB was completed at the University of Limerick. I am originally from the state of Florida, and I often get asked why I decided to study law in Ireland. Firstly, I have a huge interest in international relations and learning about different cultures. I have had the opportunity to be able to travel to a lot of amazing places and wanted to extend that through my studies and hopefully my career. I also wanted to give myself as many options as possible whether that be going home to practice or staying somewhere in the EU. Ireland gave me the unique opportunity to be able to study in a common law system, just like the US, while also letting me have the distinctive experience to learn about the EU laws and system. I feel overall that has given me a wider understanding of international law. When I first started my LLB at UL, I had no idea whether I would stay in Ireland or if I want to go back to the US. However, after living here and creating personal connections, I have decided to try and continue my career in Ireland and see what opportunities I am presented with. I feel this decision would further my international understanding within the corporate sector and continue the life I have already established here.

Now to answer the all-encompassing question, why do I want to intern at Byrne Wallace? Besides being a major firm here in Ireland, Byrne Wallace also has an established international presence with offices spanning from London to Australia. I would love the opportunity to intern at a firm to gain an





insight and a better understanding of the area of law I am interested in. As I am nearing the end of my educational journey, I want to intern at a firm that would give me the experience I crave while also helping me to begin a successful career. I feel that Byrne Wallace is more than capable of this while also supplying the support and leadership needed. I was also impressed with the variety of business sectors that Byrne Wallace offers to clients and lawyers such as international relations, technology, administrative law, childcare law, international trade, environmental law, and more. I feel this wide selection of sectors would better prepare me for future jobs while also helping me to understand areas I may not be familiar with. Experience and education are the key to positive change, and I feel that Byrne Wallace would garner these elements needed for me to advance my own knowledge and perspective. Although it is easy to get caught up in the factual reasons as to why I would love the opportunity to be an intern, there is also a personal reason as to why I am also partial to Byrne Wallace over other firms. This is due to Byrne Wallace's commitment to corporate social responsibility. As stated previously on my application, I very much value volunteer work and giving back to my community or others. I was truly inspired by the firm's dedication to building stronger relationships with the local community as seen with their support with St. Audoen's National School. I also was inspired by the firm's commitment to bettering their environmental impact by being Ireland's first law firm to integrate Environmental Management





System. Overall, Byrne Wallace has shown me their commitment to bettering the world and I would love to be a part of that if I am chosen for the internship. Although I am still in the early stages of my career, I would love the opportunity to advance my experiences and overall knowledge through the firm. I am ready to embrace the positive changes that would come from this opportunity and not miss out on the possibilities awaiting in the future. Thank you for your consideration and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,
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