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Re: Legal Summer Internship 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Further to your advertisement on your firm's website, I would like to apply to your Legal Summer Internship Programme. I graduated from Ankara University Faculty of Law with a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.). Upon completion of my legal traineeship in Turkey, I was granted the Jean Monnet Scholarship and came to Ireland to complete my Master's degree at Trinity College Dublin. My main research area of focus was the intersection between Competition Law and Intellectual Property rights in the light of essential facilities doctrine.

Following my graduation, I commenced employment with Meta via Covalen during the COVID-19 pandemic as a Community Operations Analyst. I have remained in the same position to obtain my Stamp 4. I have enjoyed the responsibility of dealing with a variety of cases concerning users' accounts and collaborating with cross-functional teams. While working in my current role, I started working on my Ph.D. at Maastricht University as an external researcher. My objective in enrolling in this course was to continue to develop my knowledge of law albeit working in a different/separate industry with the purpose of obtaining my Stamp 4.

In the course of my studies and legal experience, I have conducted legal research and writing and have assisted clients with a primary focus on intellectual property rights; antitrust; and data privacy. While I have a strong ability to work on my own initiative, balancing and progressing multiple files with minimal supervision, I also enjoy working as part of a team on larger instructions and I am always cognisant of knowing my own limits and when to ask for guidance from more experienced colleagues.

I enjoy problem-solving, the construction of an argument, and am attracted to the rigor of law. The fast-paced lifestyle, challenge, and variety of commercial work have motivated and drawn me into this profession. As you can see from my resume, I have always been fascinated by how law can, or should, offer solutions in a world that is constantly evolving in terms of technology. I am keen to further my legal training and, ultimately, pursue a long-term career as a qualified solicitor in a more commercially focused environment. In the course of my work experience in Meta, I have completed the FE-1 exams.

The compelling global presence and recognised reputation of Byrne Wallace as a distinguished law practice, providing comprehensive legal solutions to a diverse international client base, are crucial factors motivating my application. I will have a unique opportunity to make a substantial contribution to innovative legal work on a global scale, noting Byrne Wallace's position as a top law firm. Moreover, the collaborative nature of Byrne Wallace fosters a team-oriented environment, providing an ideal setting for professional growth. The prospect of working alongside experienced professionals and learning from their expertise further solidifies my enthusiasm to be part of the firm. Lastly, the structured nature of law firms such as yours, with a clear path for growth and specialisation, is reassuring for me as someone looking to build a long-term career in law.

I believe I can offer a unique perspective to this role due to my practical experience and diverse background. I believe that my analytical, communication and legal research skills would make me a

valuable member of the team this summer at Byrne Wallace. Thank you for taking the time to consider my application materials.

Yours sincerely,

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