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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a second year Law Pathways (BCLI) student at University College Cork, and I am writing to apply for the Byrne Wallace Internship 2024. I was Motivated to apply for this position after my time with three other corporate law firms. Interning at this law firm would provide me with the opportunity to greatly develop my legal skills while working in a firm with an extremely diverse portfolio. I am confident that I could contribute to the firm through my proactivity and experience of which I will outline below.

During my first year of my law degree, I established myself as an energetic and driven law student from the start of the academic year. I achieved a place on the 93rd session of the UCC Law Society’s Social Subcommittee, which involved organising nights out, Law Ball and Law dinner which allowed me to expand my network and meet new people. By getting familiar with older law students through the subcommittee, I was able to collect information on different programmes which they had taken part in, and also learn tips on internship applications which increased my commercial awareness.

I went on to compete in the UCC Internal Negotiations competition, advancing to the quarterfinals and being awarded the Best First Year Negotiator**.** I was then invited to join the international negotiations team where we flew to Ghent Law School to compete against our international peers in a commercial negotiation simulation.

I gained extensive experience in leading Irish law firms as I secured a place on the following programmes: A&L Goodbody Law Start, Arthur Cox Accelerate and the Matheson Career First (which I am currently partaking in). I gained experience in various departments such as Litigation, Corporate M&A and Technology & Innovation. I would like to highlight my time with Matheson as I had a chance to work with a senior associate for one week in advising clients on emerging data transferal regulations after the seminal Schrems II ruling.

All of this being said, I continue being a proactive and ambitious student this year while also learning from my mistakes. I was elected the Vice-Chair and Secretary of FLAC UCC for the 17th session thus I am now expanding my experience to include that of an executive committee.

Thank you for considering my application,

Yours Sincerely,

Patrick Joseph Duggan.