**Cover Letter**

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**Re: Summer Internship Programme 2023**

Dear Manager of the Summer Internship Programme,

Why do I want to become an intern at ByrneWallace LLP? ByrneWallace LLP is one of Ireland’s largest law firms. I have always been interested in the law and how the law serves society. My undergraduate degree in Dublin City University, BCL (Law and Society), has provided me with the opportunity to complete a wide variety of modules beyond those traditionally needed to complete the FE-1s or King’s Inns. Through my studies of a diverse range of modules, I have seen the ability of the law to go beyond helping individuals and the possibility for international intervention of the law. ByrneWallace LLP compliments this diversity with its multiple practice areas.

I spent the third year of my degree as a legal intern in the Regulatory Decisions Unit (RDU) of the Central Bank of Ireland. Throughout my time in the RDU, I assisted various Fitness and Probity case teams and Administrative Sanctions Procedure Inquiries. In assisting the various teams and completing numerous projects I developed researching and drafting skills, which I consider to be very important skills for an intern. Additionally, I have over five years of customer services experience and I am passionate about effective communication and productive team work.

I strongly believe in justice and this was fuelled by my involvement in an ongoing campaign of support for recognition of Colonel Pat Quinlan and his 155 men from “A” company during their time in the Congo and particularly during the Siege of Jadotville, during transition year and fifth year. We successfully advocated for a review into the refusal to recognise the men and the men were subsequently awarded a unique medal. As an intern at ByrneWallace LLP, I believe I could bring this drive and passion to all of my work.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Holmes