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## Trainee Solicitor Programme Manager

## Dear Sir/Madam

I am a final year BCL Law with Social Justice student at University College Dublin. I am writing to apply for a training contract at Byrne Wallace (2018 intake).

I wish to train with Byrne Wallace because of the firm's unparalleled reputation in law in Ireland, shown by the fact that it was awarded Law firm of the Year 2016 by the Irish Law Awards.

As a student of law with social justice, corporate responsibility and integrity are subjects that are hugely important to me. I was hugely impressed to see the lengths that Byrne Wallace has gone to in order to promote the positive impact the firm has on the community and on the environment. The commitment of the firm to ethical legal practice is evidenced by the fact that it is the first top ten Irish law firm to date to be awarded Lexcel accreditation.

I consider that my social justice training would be a key asset in the sphere of commercial law. My degree has enabled me to look at the law in new ways and come up with creative solutions, while always maintaining an ethical standard. My summer internship at NASC allowed me to apply these skills to real life situations, where completing case work and research in a timely manner was of the upmost importance when it came to asylum applications.

My Erasmus abroad helped me look at the law from an international perspective, something I feel would be an asset due to Byrne Wallace's various international links.

A traineeship at Byrne Wallace would allow me to increase my expertise in commercial law, along with the wide offering of other legal areas offered by the firm.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Lucy Heery