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## **Re: Trainee Solicitor Application**

Dear Ms Murray,

I enclose my CV for consideration for the trainee solicitor programme at ByrneWallace as advertised on your website. I hold a BCL, first-class honours LL.M in International Commercial Law and have successfully passed all eight FE-1 exams.

I have extensive commercial legal-practice, in-house and public sector legal experience during which I have demonstrated my strong work ethic. I have been afforded considerable responsibility and excelled in delivering high quality work in fast-paced commercial environments at Davy and Philip Lee. While working on Davy's legal team I developed strong business acumen and commercial awareness. I am skilled in legal research, legal drafting and communicating and building relationships with clients which I demonstrate consistently. I have displayed an ability to work under pressure to meet deadlines, analyse large volumes of legal information while maintaining attention to detail and meeting expectations in each of my roles to date.

I am attracted to ByrneWallace given the firm's diversity of practice areas, its quality training programme and the exciting prospect of exposure to complex legal work for domestic and international clients in the public and private sector. The firm's practice areas match my experience and interests including commercial litigation, health and social care, financial services, energy and data protection. I excelled in modules in these areas during my LL.M in International Commercial Law at UCD. I have gained legal experience in these practice areas at the Medical Council, Philip Lee and Davy. I would be delighted with the opportunity to train at a firm with such a strong reputation and learn from leading legal practitioners. Listening to ByrneWallace representatives at the recent Trainee Insights Webinar gave me an understanding of the culture of the firm. I identify with the firm's collaborative ethos and the respect colleagues demonstrate towards each other and clients; working in this environment would be an excellent fit for me. Given my broad range of experience and skills, I would have a drive and ambition to make a valuable contribution to ByrneWallace. I would look forward to contributing to the exciting and rewarding work of the firm and developing into an excellent solicitor.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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