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Ms Ciara Loftus, Human Resources Manager, ByrneWallace, 88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02 DK18.

Dear Ms Loftus,

My name is Adam Blake, I would like to apply for the Trainee Solicitor Programme at ByrneWallace.

I am a Bachelor of Corporate Law and Bachelor of Laws Graduate from National University of Ireland, Galway. I recently finished working as a Commercial and Contracts Specialist with Baker Hughes (previously a GE Company), a multinational energy technology company, based in Shannon, Ireland.

I specifically dealt with global oil and gas contracts. I red-lined contracts and frame agreements, negotiated terms with customers, identified commercial and technical risk within purchase orders and also acted with commercial management responsibilities.

Working at Baker Hughes gave me excellent hands-on exposure to Global Commercial Contracts and I want to use this experience to pursue a commercially focused career in law.

I aspire to pursue a career as a solicitor because I aim to be involved in advising on large scale projects across different industries and practice areas. I am especially interested in all areas of corporate/commercial, energy, construction and procurement, pharmaceuticals industry, technology, and aviation from growing up in Shannon! I want to learn about as many elements of law as I can, I am always focused on learning. I want to advise multinational businesses and key stakeholders, and figure out the problems that they need help on.

ByrneWallace appeals to me because I have worked in a client-focused company, working for and with brilliant professionals every day. I am eager to expand my legal knowledge and learn from the best lawyers in their field. The career prospects at ByrneWallace are second to none, and my goal is to work in an environment where communication and collegiality is a key factor of everyday work. I have realised that I thrive in a teamwork culture while working at Baker Hughes, and really enjoy working on complex issues.

I thought that the atmosphere on the Trainee Insights call was electric and really gave me an understanding into what goes on at ByrneWallace and the approachability and expertise of the team. Martin Cooney highlighted looking forward and beyond your traineeship, and I honestly see myself fitting in perfectly at ByrneWallace beyond my traineeship. ByrneWallace is where I want to be. Having a mentor is also something that really attracts me to the firm, and I would love to eventually be a mentor myself to an incoming trainee.

I would really appreciate if you considered me for this role to become a Trainee Solicitor at ByrneWallace.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Your sincerely,

Adam Blake