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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a prospective Law with Economics graduate at the University of Limerick and I am writing to apply for ByrneWallace’s summer internship programme. I was excited to learn about the ByrneWallace summer internship programme, as the firm has an outstanding reputation developed through recognition by the International Client Choice Awards and Chambers Global. I am confident that interning for Byrne Wallace would enable me to strengthen the skills necessary to begin my career in law and gain detailed insight into the legal working world.

My undergraduate studies have enabled me to gain an in depth knowledge of a number of areas of law. Through my study of economics, I have also developed an astute sense of commercial awareness. I believe that a genuine interest in and aptitude for business is an essential attribute for a commercial law firm. I would enjoy the opportunity to advise clients on issues affecting the day-to-day business affairs and on important ventures, such as acquisitions. Therefore, I was impressed to learn that ByrneWallace advised on one quarter of the total venture funds raised by Irish companies in 2015.

Through my professional work experience, I have learned that academic knowledge can only be broadened by experience. My time spent working in the claims department of Allianz PLC has given me an insight into office dynamics and enabled me to gain invaluable clerical and interpersonal skills. I believe that the skill set I developed through that experience would transfer well, if given the chance to work for Byrne Wallace.

I have also held a number of positions in the service industry throughout my college years. My dual-citizenship has enabled me gain work experience in Ireland and the United States. I thrive in a challenging environment and am capable of adapting to different working conditions. I am confident that the communicative, organisational and customer service skills I have developed through my work as a waitress and bartender, will translate in a corporate working environment. These experiences have also strengthened my, already impressive, work ethic.

Please see my CV for further information on my experience and education credentials. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully,

Aileen Fitzmaurice