**Cover Letter**

Date: 27th October 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

I have recently completed an LLM in Public Law (Criminal Justice) in NUI, Galway and will graduate later this year. I am extremely interested in pursuing a legal career as a solicitor analysis and am incredibly intrigued by your graduate programme

During my postgraduate studies I have undertaken highly stimulating modules in Intellectual Property and Internet Regulation, along with legal research and regulation modules which have given me a broad understanding of issues such as regulation and the importance of compliance to legal rules and policies. The LLM was quite focused on policy issues, with this being a core feature of each module I undertook. This masters gave me a solid foundation in the theory and application of public law and a greater understanding of the most important issues of public interest litigation and policy analysis issues.

I am a highly analytical, driven and organised individual who always endeavours to ensure that her work is completed to the highest standards. I am very open-minded and relish in the opportunity to work in a diverse environment. I have previously held positions as an English teacher in a summer language school in Ireland and at a university in Vannes, France. These opportunities permitted me to enhance and improve my interpersonal, communication and teamwork skills. In addition, I was tasked with developing a new English curriculum in both settings, a task which was time sensitive and which I managed to complete to a high standard within both work environments.

I have studied Legal French to Degree level and graduated with a First-Class Honours in French. Additionally, I studied in Poitiers during my Erasmus year abroad and subsequently worked at the University of Southern Brittany, Vannes for nine months. I am capable of conversing confidently in French and intend to take the C1/C2 DALF exam within the next year. I am passionate about languages and am continuously striving to enhance my language skills and have completed a Higher Certificate (Level 6) in Spanish.

I believe that I am an ideal candidate for the role of trainee solicitor within your company as I have excellent communication skills in both English and French. Equally, I am a determined individual who is passionate about all legal, regulatory and policy affairs at a domestic and EU level. I would relish in the opportunity to work for your company. I enjoy working in teams and understand the importance of prioritising tasks whilst working efficiently in a team and individually to complete them.

I thank you for your consideration of my application and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully,

Aisling McNally