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Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Andrew Courtney and I wish to apply for a position on the Byrne Wallace Trainee Programme. I am a fourth-year student in UCD studying Law with Economics and wish to pursue a career in corporate law. I believe that my joint degree in law and economics has provided me with the combined learning for a career in Byrne Wallace.

I am an excellent team player who also has the ability to take a leadership role as required. I have demonstrated this throughout my school and college sporting activities. While in school I was captain of various rugby teams and while away in the University of Texas on exchange I was lucky enough to be chosen as captain of the international student’s basketball team which participated against other teams within the college. As captain, I had to make many strong, persuasive arguments to my peers and coaches as well as leading by good example.

I have developed analytical and presentation skills during my internships for Digicel Group, Aergo Capital and Ronan Daly Jermyn. They also allowed me to experience various sectors of business through a legal scope which was invaluable such as financial technology and aircraft leasing. These internships were invaluable to my development as they allowed me to work in high pressured and deadline driven environments which come with working in the corporate sphere and in client demand driven services.

Last semester I was fortunate enough to be granted the opportunity to study abroad at the University of Texas, Austin. The different perspectives I was given from my U.S lecturers was invaluable and was a fantastic opportunity for me to grow as a student. The experience of studying abroad as well from a non-academic perspective was a fantastic experience to grow and become more independent. Being in a completely different environment was an excellent opportunity for me to learn new things and meet new people.

Becoming a corporate lawyer is incredibly appealing to me due to the challenging and rewarding nature the job entails. I believe that Byrne Wallace can give me the opportunity to start on the right path to becoming a corporate lawyer and it would be a privilege to work in such an excellent firm given the opportunity. Byrne Wallace prides itself on expert lawyers who are focused on supporting, protecting and promoting client interests; key values I can relate to and develop on. Given my ambition and hunger, I believe I would adapt seamlessly into the philosophy and culture and prove to be an asset to the firm.

I hope you look favourably upon my application and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,

Andrew Courtney.