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Summer Internship

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am a first-year Masters in Common Law student at UCD and I am writing to apply for a summer internship at ByrneWallace. Interning at your firm would place me in a position to gain hands on experience in a large commercial law firm, and thus would help guide me in my decisions regarding future academic module choices, and future job opportunities.

I have had the opportunity to explore public interest law through my position on the *UCD Law Review* board and the Student Legal Service’s *Irish Public Interest publication* editorial board. I wish to explore commercial law, and to immerse myself in the work of a busy respected law firm. I know that your firm consists of senior and experienced lawyers. I want to collaborate with your firm to bring the best to your clients.

While I don’t possess great swathes of legal experience, I have experience dealing with customers, and in teams. I want to work with ByrneWallace because I know that it is the place where I can grow in my understanding of a commercial law firm’s daily experience, and the place where I can hone my skills. I am a dedicated and tenacious person; I founded the Irish Youth Times in 2011, and successfully attained access that even many well- funded university publications have failed to gain. I was Mental Health Coordinator of UCD in 2015, which involved chairing meetings, representing the university at events, presenting to Student council, drafting motions, and editing reports. I was highly commended by the Students Union, and was praised for my dedication. I know how to listen to a client, and to deliver what they want, and I have received several customer service bonus awards from Homestore + More.

I want to work at ByrneWallace because of the vast inventory of portfolios and practice areas that the firm deals with, and I wish to work with you because of your renowned dealings with a huge variation of businesses. I know that your firm is the one that could enlighten me on what life is really like as a trainee. This internship would allow me to show you everything that I can bring; and I trust that I can bring much to ByrneWallace and its clients.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew McKeown