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To whom it may concern,

My name is Andrew O’Neill and I am writing to you to apply for a position on the ByrneWallace Trainee Programme. Please find enclosed a copy of my CV for your review.

I am a graduate of Law at The Dublin Institute of technology, graduating with a second class honours (upper division) degree and I intend on pursuing a career in corporate law. I believe that my degree has provided me with good preparation for a career in ByrneWallace having comprehensively studied a multitude of different legal areas. Given its heavy workload, I have had exposure to working in a competitive and high-pressured environment. Through business and legal orientated projects and presentations, I have developed my naturally strong reading, writing and analytical skills as well as teamwork and communication skills both with lecturers and peers.

ByrneWallace’s work-life balance really appeals to me; the idea that you can enjoy life outside of the office just as much as results achieved within the office. My interest in sport, particularly in endurance sports, is evidenced by my various marathons and triathlons. I am an active member of Belpark triathlon club where I frequently train. Last August I completed a full Ironman triathlon in France crossing the finish line in just over 13 hours. The event required months of arduous, consistent training in all three disciplines. I believe that I demonstrated real motivational skills and ambitious qualities in completing the longest Triathlon in Europe.

I have been able to develop good interpersonal skills through my involvement in University life outside of academics. I was elected the DIT Representative to the Irish Student Entrepreneurship Forum (ISEF). In this role, I was responsible for promoting the annual event to DIT students whom were keen to display their ideas to potential investors. I was also chosen to become a class representative for the DIT law and debating society. I was responsible for the seamless integration of incoming first year law and business and law students into ever expanding society. This was done by organising society events and promoting these events around the college. My approachable, friendly nature is demonstrated by my involvement in these respective social activities.

Being a corporate lawyer is incredibly appealing to me due to its challenging, yet rewarding, nature. I am particularly interested in litigation after I interned in the Litigation department of Eugene F Collins this summer. I would be very interested in the opportunity to work in ByrneWallce’s pre-eminent Litigation department. There is huge satisfaction to be found in working one-on-one with a client but also in being a part of, and representing, an Irish law firm like ByrneWallace. ByrneWallace is a leader in the provision of Corporate Social Responsibility, something that is becoming more important in modern society. ByrneWallace is the one of the fastest growing firms in the country. The opportunity of learning, through emersion, from the country’s top associates and partners is an invaluable experience. A traineeship in ByrneWallace would be both intellectually challenging and stimulating. I am confident this experience would solidify my current desire to become a corporate solicitor.

ByrneWallace 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 high level of ambition and real enthusiasm, I believe I would adapt seamlessly in to ByrneWallace philosophy and culture and prove to be an asset to the firm.

Thank you for giving my application your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,

Andrew O’Neill.