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Dear Ms Onslow,

I am writing to apply to the Byrne Wallace Summer Internship Programme 2018. I am a final year Law & Philosophy student in University College Dublin, with first class honours results achieved to date. I believe that my academic, extracurricular and organisational experiences have given me a wealth of skills that make me well-suited to the corporate, client-focused environment of a world-class law firm like Byrne Wallace.

An internship with Byrne Wallace would provide a unique opportunity to work on groundbreaking cases with the highest calibre clients. The challenge of engaging with the diverse situations faced by clients such as Irish Life Assurance PLC and Aer Arann would be a constant motivation to reach my full potential in the early stages of being a legal practitioner. Byrne Wallace's commitment to collaborative work between newer employees and partners, is indicative of a workplace that encourages and supports each member of the team, as well as expecting excellence.

As Auditor of the UCD Law Society I was responsible for overseeing the organisation of the 4,500 member society, with a turnover exceeding €160,000. As well as planning the year's events in detail, I had to provide calm and sensible guidance to committee members when challenges arose. I have developed the ability to think clearly as well as to communicate succinctly in pressurised situations, attributes that I believe are valuable to the role of a solicitor. My experiences collaborating with co-workers in each of my professional roles to date, and with peers in scouting, have ingrained a collaborative working practice, where success is shared and everyone is accountable for their own contribution.

My national and international debating achievements have taught me to engage quickly and effectively with problems posed, and to express complex ideas succinctly. I am eager to apply the skill of finding constructive alternatives when presented with a problem to the complex, often multinational needs of clients.

Competing in multiple Moot Court competitions and completing the Moot Court final year module have taught me to research the law efficiently, to construct legal arguments, and to prepare usable synopses of case law in order to write memorials. These are skills that are of significant value as a legal practitioner, beyond what academic pursuits alone could offer.

Many thanks for your time. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Aodhán Peelo