Aoibhín Ní Dhubháin

> Traineeship

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ByrneWallace Traineeship Application 88 Harcourt Street Dublin 2

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am applying for a position on the ByrneWallace traineeship programme. My interest in law was sparked when I did my Transition Year Work Placement in ByrneWallace in 2013. From the very first day I really felt like I belonged. I have grown up a lot since then and have learned much more. Much of which can be credited to the four summers after that (2013, 2014, 2015, 2017), when I once again got the opportunity to work in ByrneWallace. While working in ByrneWallace I learned how to work efficiently and independently. I think that, should I be lucky enough to get a traineeship in ByrneWallace, I would continue to develop myself and my legal skills and become a top quality solicitor. I can see myself striving on this career path.

I can make a contribution to ByrneWallace because, in addition to my time in ByrneWallace, I have a rather wide range of work experience, I have interned in the Irish Embassy, cycled food around Dublin (Deliveroo), sold glasses to Berliners (EyeStyles), pulled pints for rugby fans (Aviva Stadium) and taught a German toddler English (Private Language Tutor). So I will be able to hit the ground running in any situation that might arise during a traineeship.

My joint degree in law and German has enhanced my communication, organisation and time management skills. I also have excellent research skills, which I improved while studying in Germany, working with unfamiliar databases and in a second language. I am further improving my research skills this semester while I write my dissertation. I am fluent in German with a C1 according to the Common European Framework of Reference (where A1 is a complete beginner and where C2 is complete fluency). I am highly competent with Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint. Academically, I am a high achiever. I got a first on my year abroad in Humboldt University, Berlin, coming second in my class. In second year I was top of my class in second year.

Also I enjoy achieving in other area of my life, for example I represented Ireland at under 19s in Ultimate Frisbee at the world championships in Lecco, Italy in 2014 and at the European Championships in Frankfurt Germany in 2015. I still play in college and in second year I was the Social Secretary of the Trinity Ultimate Frisbee Club.

I have great leadership skills. In school, I was elected class captain in 3rd and 4th year, as well as being a Prefect in 6th year. I captained the rugby team in 4th and 5th year and the frisbee team in 6th year. I was the head of the school's hospitality committee in 5th year. In college, I was a group leader in 1st year for my volunteer paired reading group with Suas. In 2nd year as I mentioned above, I was the social secretary for the Frisbee club as well as the treasurer for the Europa Society.

Yours sincerely,

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