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HR Administrator Orwell Road ByrneWallace Dublin 14 88 Harcourt Street Dublin 2 18 October 2017

Dear Ms Onslow

I wish to apply for the position of Trainee at ByrneWallace and have enclosed my CV for your consideration. I am very keen to train with a reputable firm with a friendly and focused learning environment and I feel ByrneWallace is the best firm to provide this.

In May 2017, I completed a Postgraduate Diploma in Law at Dublin Institute of Technology. I was recently delighted to learn that I will graduate first in my class with Distinction. Prior to studying law, I completed a First Class Honours BSc Midwifery degree and graduated second in my class.

This summer, I completed an Internship over 3 months with Eversheds Sutherland. I worked in the firm’s Litigation Department and during this time I was given responsibilities similar to a Trainee. At the end of the programme I was given the opportunity to return for a further period which I welcomed as it was recognition of my hard work and ability to excel in a very busy environment. This internship confirmed beyond all doubt that a career in a commercial law firm is the perfect fit for me. The skills I learnt and the confidence I gained helped me to realise that it is a career that I will definitely enjoy and also one where I will have the potential to shine and achieve my goals.

While working as a midwife, I developed transferable key skills and dealt with high levels of responsibility which I believe will be invaluable to me as a corporate solicitor. I worked in a highly pressurised environment where time management and meticulous attention to detail were of paramount importance often in serious and life threatening circumstances.

I note you have a very active Health and Social Care Department having been ranked as a top tier firm for Healthcare Law by Legal 500. I believe my undergraduate degree in Midwifery would be of great benefit in this area however, I am also looking forward to gaining experience in many different practice areas and continuously expanding upon my knowledge base.

ByrneWallace is a progressive and adaptive firm where I trust my unique background, diverse experience and transferable skill set will be recognised and embraced. Having attended the trainee open evening yesterday at BryneWallace, I left with a wonderful impression of the firm and the people the people that work there. It is clear to me that the firm places a great emphasis on collaborative working. Although the firm is one of Ireland’s leading commercial law firms, ByrneWallace remains notably personable and this is the type of environment in which I would like to work.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss my application further at interview.

Yours sincerely

Aoife McCarthy