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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to apply for the training contract at ByrneWallace.

I am currently in employment as a legal analyst at Citibank and hope to continue my career in commercial law at your firm. While I enjoy my work at Citi, my experience is narrow in comparison to a training contract at ByrneWallace. Although I have learned much during my time here, I wish to become a well-rounded corporate solicitor with experience in a wide range of practice areas in order to best serve clients’ interests. At present I only receive exposure to Loan Finance, and your firm gives trainees the opportunity to work in a variety of fields and to take on large responsibility.

I believe I understand what makes businesses successful. Being a tour guide in Chicago confirmed for me my wish to work in a fast-paced and unpredictable business environment, where teamwork and communication were skills that I developed and relied upon to ensure the business was profitable. I also have experience of working as part of a fresh business venture at Trinity College, and therefore believe that if you anticipate customers’ needs and exceed their expectations, the business will grow itself. Citi has greatly increased my knowledge of what clients want and, coming from a client of corporate firms myself, I can bring a unique in-house perspective to your firm.

My extra-curricular activities also involve numerous skills that I enjoy developing and hope to use in a commercial firm. I enjoyed taking a proactive role in Trinity’s boxing club and a War Game presentation at King’s. Large deals in a commercial firm would involve similar levels of leadership and problem-solving to succeed. As MC of the recent Citi Inspire 5K I understand the value of having a good team with different personalities coming together to make the project work. I can bring all of this experience to ByrneWallace to assist clients and colleagues alike to achieve our goals.

It is clear that ByrneWallace would value these skills and my interest in business. I see myself as becoming not just a lawyer, but also a trusted business adviser to major clients such as Multihog and MML Growth Capital Partners. The firm consistently receives numerous awards and has recently been awarded the Banking & Finance, and Restructuring & Insolvency Firm of the Year at the Irish Law Awards. Coming from a global bank, I would love to be a part of this excellent team. I want the responsibility for coordinating multiple parties and giving the best legal advice in order to help clients navigate commercial issues, and there are few places better than ByrneWallace in which to achieve this.

Having learned much about corporate law and its importance at Citi, I am now excited at the prospect of continuing my development at your firm. With the onset of Brexit and major banks choosing Dublin as their European headquarters, the future looks bright for ByrneWallace and I would love to be part of this future.

Yours faithfully,

Benjamin Lynch.