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**Re: Trainee Recruitment 2015**

Dear Sirs,

My name is Blathnaid Martin and I write to you in application of a training contract.

I currently work at Matheson Solicitors while studying part time for both my FE-1 exams and my MA in European Union Law at Kings College in London.

I have been with Matheson since March 2014 as a Legal PA in the Commercial Property Department. I have had extensive opportunities at work to date and have gained substantial transactional experience. Within my role I have worked on various asset sales, commercial leases, security reviews, loan portfolio sales and other various cross-departmental projects, and have been afforded the opportunity to manage datasite projects.

The time I have spent at Matheson to date has also given me a valuable understanding of what a career at a commercial law firm entails. I am very committed to my work and have developed many valuable skills, as well as having developed an understanding for the importance of precision and attention to detail. I am very passionate and enthusiastic about the work I am involved in. I very much enjoy working on large transactional projects and the opportunity to work with international names.

Whilst working at Matheson, I commute between Dublin and London to complete my thesis project in European Union Law. I am also studying for my FE-1s and have sat 6 exams to date, with an aim of sitting my last two exams in March 2016 and commencing a traineeship next year.

Apart from my work and study, I also enjoy cross country running and ballet. I am a member of a number of societies at Kings College London, as well as a volunteer for the Irish Refugee Council, a fundraiser for UNICEF and a member of the ISEL and ESIL. I am currently working on two separate articles, which I hope to have published in the Trinity Law Review and the Kings College Law Journal this coming year.

I would be very much obliged for your consideration of my application.

Thank you for your time, I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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