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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to request that you consider me for a place on your Trainee Programme. Having completed an internship in another of Ireland's top law firms I feel I have gained a great understanding of what it takes to succeed at a large corporate firm. I am now hoping to take the next step in my career by joining your firm.

One of the things that really attracts me to the world at corporate law is the high profile nature of the work that it involves. During my time at William Fry I was exposed to high profile litigation such as those involving Denis O'Brien, Sean Quinn as well as the Bernie Madoff scandal. I thoroughly enjoyed working on cases such as these and, knowing the client base that Byrne Wallace has, I feel that I would gain similar exposure during my traineeship. For example, I know that Byrne Wallace recently acted as legal counsel to Cosmo Pharmaceuticals on its merger with Salix – a deal worth over \$2 billion. I would love the chance to be part of deals such as these one day and I know working at Byrne Wallace would provide me with the opportunity to do so.

During my internship I also worked on litigation concerning an inhaler patent. I find the area of healthcare and life sciences to be particularly interesting. It is also one of the highest growing sectors of the Irish economy. I know that Byrne Wallace is a tier 1 firm in this area and I feel that the experience and interest I have in this area could, in time, contribute to your sterling reputation in this field.

The one thing that really differentiated Byrne Wallace from the other corporate firms was the fact they really embrace technology in order to more effectively and efficiently meet their client needs. With a qualification in this area and a massive interest in technology I feel that I could really add to your firms approach in this regard.

Having spoken to your representative Sinead Fox at the UCD careers fair, I am aware that Byrne Wallace allows trainees to get involved in real meaningful work and this is something that really attracted me to your trainee programme. As someone who enjoys working and learning in a fast paced environment, I feel that a career at Byrne Wallace would give me the perfect opportunity to thrive.

As a business and law student I feel I possess the perfect skillset to excel at a corporate law firm. I have gained an excellent understanding of legal matters while also developing my communication, teamwork and commercial awareness at the renowned Quinn School of Business.

I know from speaking to some of your employees that there is a real sense of teamwork among the employees at Byrne Wallace. As a keen GAA and soccer player I feel my ability to be a team player is one of my real strengths. Finally, my near perfect attendance at both lectures and training demonstrated the high level of dedication I would bring to work at Byrne Wallace while also being indicative of my time management skills.

I would like to finish by thanking you for taking the time to consider my application and I hope to hear back from you in the near future. I feel you would not regret it if you chose me for your programme. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Breen Reilly.