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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a fourth year student at Trinity College Dublin studying Law and French and I am on course to achieve a 1:1 or high 2:1 in my degree. I am applying for the Traineeship Programme in order to gain first class legal training in a top-tier commercial law firm. I believe that by training with ByrneWallace I would gain invaluable hands-on legal experience and greatly increase my own practical legal skills.

I want to become a solicitor in a commercial law firm because this type of work interests me and I enjoy the challenging and thought-provoking process of researching a complicated legal issue and coming to a coherent and practical conclusion. ByrneWallace appeals to me as a top-tier firm that is constantly developing and growing, as evidenced by winning Law Firm of the Year 2016 at the AIB Private Banking Irish Law Awards, and because of the open and friendly atmosphere I experienced at the Trainee Open Evening.

To date, I have been exposed to a variety of different legal environments. I worked in a small general solicitor's practice in 2011, with an in-house Senior Commercial Lawyer during an internship in Intel Ireland for 3 months in Summer 2015 and in the Corporate department of A&L Goodbody during an internship this summer.

In addition, I frequently show initiative in starting new projects and developing my skills. This includes organising my own summer tennis camp in 2014 where I displayed business skills in promoting and managing the camp. I also showed good teamwork and leadership skills in engaging the services of an assistant tennis coach and having an overall responsibility to ensure the success of the camp. As well as this, I have obtained my Diploma of Studies on the European Union, a one year course on European Union Law, Institutions, and Relations to improve my knowledge of European Union Law. I have attended European Law Students' Association Summer Law Schools on Law & Business and Corporate Law & Finance (in Portugal and Dublin) in order to improve my business knowledge in Ireland and Europe. Currently I am the Director of Seminars & Conferences for ELSA Ireland.

As for my character, I am determined and committed in every project and activity I take up. My pastimes which show my commitment are my writing and my membership in St Mary's Brass & Reed Band Kingscourt. I have been a member since the age of 10 and I play several brass and percussion instruments with the band. I regularly attend concerts, competitions and marches throughout the year.

My writing shows my motivation but it also allows me to be creative in searching outside the box for solutions to problems, whether legal, business or otherwise based. I am currently undertaking a personal project to write a series of books of which two are complete and edited. I have begun this project since the summer of 2013 and continuously engage in and progress it as well as using it as a means to relax. I also contribute frequently to university newspapers and am the Features Editor of a politics and economics magazine in Trinity.

Given my legal and business experience to date and my extra-curricular activities, I believe I would be the perfect fit for the ByrneWallace Traineeship Programme. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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Brendan Rooney