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Byrne Wallace,  
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Dear Hiring Manager,

Please accept this application for the Byrne Wallace Trainee Programme 2021.

Upon graduating from my BCL, I commenced work in EY's Financial Services tax team, where I received numerous recognition awards. I worked directly with banking, corporate, and tax law. Although I enjoyed working in tax, I realised that I was more interested in the legal rather than the accountancy aspect. This is reflected in my decision to pursue the FE1-Examinations and to gain legal experience at Hegarty & Associates.

In order to further my ability as a future solicitor, I believe that it is important to develop in a working environment that cultivates an atmosphere of excellence. I would appreciate the opportunity to work directly with the extremely talented and experienced workforce you have in your firm, as illustrated by the large number of awards received, including being ranked a Leading Firm by the Legal 500. I am interested in the Tax, Financial Services, Life Sciences, and Asset Management and Investment Funds law teams because of the considerable experience I have working in these sectors. I feel confident that I could contribute substantively to the work of the firm while strengthening the skills I need for a career in Law.

My desire to work in Byrne Wallace is fuelled by the variety of interesting, challenging, and exciting work that is on offer, such as advising PrioThera Limited in relation to its €30 million Series A fundraising. The charitable commitment that is evident within the firm speaks volumes about its culture. This has also been promoted by representatives of the firm with whom I have spoken, confirming that the culture of decency, respect, courtesy, honesty, and integrity align with the organisational culture. I believe that this is an illustration of a confident business model filtering through the company from top to bottom, one that exhibits a strong sense of collegiality and appreciation for the workforce.

Finally, having worked professionally for three years, I am wholly aware of the importance of diversity amongst a group of individuals and believe that Byrne Wallace exemplifies such an amenable culture.

I extend many thanks in advance for taking the time to consider my application and greatly look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Cian Byrne