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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my interest in the Trainee Solicitor Programme at ByrneWallace LLP. With a strong academic background in law and business, coupled with practical experience in both legal and corporate environments, I believe that my skills and qualifications position me to be a suitable candidate for the trainee programme.

I have recently completed my MSc in Environmental and Climate Change Law from UCD, graduating with First Class Honours. This programme, combined with my Bachelor’s degree in Business and Law, has equipped me with strong analytical, legal research, and writing skills. My dissertation on the Nitrates Directive in Ireland honed my expertise in environmental law and provided me with a unique perspective on public sector law and related regulatory issues, an area within which I am aware ByrneWallace is deemed a top tier firm.

In my current role as a Legal Assistant at F.H. O’Reilly & Co. Solicitors, I support solicitors in various areas of law, including litigation, conveyancing, and probate. My role involves drafting and proofreading legal documents, managing case files, conducting legal research, and liaising with clients. This experience has enhanced my attention to detail and has strengthened my communication and organisational skills, key qualities that would I feel would be transferable to the role of a trainee solicitor at ByrneWallace.

I am drawn to ByrneWallace due to the firm’s strong reputation, innovative approach to the law, and the firms culture which promotes a healthy work-life balance and fosters growth and development. The breadth of legal practice areas offered by the firm is particularly attractive to me, as I was interested in and enjoyed a broad range of legal and corporate modules throughout my undergraduate degree, interests which I would be eager to explore further. The firm’s environmental, planning and energy sectors greatly appeal to me and I would also welcome the opportunity to gain practical experience in this sector having completed my postgraduate studies in the area.

Thank you for your consideration of my application and I would welcome to the opportunity to discuss the programme and my qualifications further with you.

Yours faithfully,

Ciara Walsh