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To Whom It May Concern:

I am interested in applying to the Byrne Wallace Traineeship. Please find enclosed my Curriculum Vitae and application form.

I am currently in my final year studying History and Political Science at Trinity College Dublin. Though I did not undertake a law degree, I believe that coming from a non-law academic background gives me an advantage of being able to approach legal problems from a unique perspective. My degree has taught me to be analytical and to discern meaning from text that may not be initially obvious as well as to be able to find the salient points from large quantities of information. These are attributes that I would consider very useful in the practicing of the law. I am willing to learn and hungry to succeed and I hope that these are qualities that will make me a strong candidate for a legal career. It appears that a traineeship with Byrne Wallace would give me real responsibility from the get go, another factor that has encouraged me to apply.

I am aware that Byrne Wallace is one of the leading Irish Law Firms and that it prides itself on excellence. The opportunity to be at the heart of some of the most important commercial legal transactions in what is now a major European centre is extremely exciting. Having grown up in Switzerland and the UK, the international focus of Byrne Wallace really appeals to me. One of the reasons I am keen to train in Dublin rather than returning to the UK is that it appears that trainees in top Dublin firms like Byrne Wallace are exposed to and involved in work at the highest level. More so, I believe than would be the case in an equivalent London firm. The emphasis Byrne Wallace puts on the excellence and the quality of work confirmed my ambition to apply for a traineeship and as such, I hope that you will consider my application.

Kind Regards

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