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Dear Beth,

My name is Clodagh Prior, I am a third-year Law student in Trinity College Dublin, and am writing to you to apply for a position in the 2018 Summer Intern Programme with ByrneWallace.

I have a strong track record of academic achievement and active involvement in college societies. I am planning to pursue a career in law, and am looking to explore different paths within the legal profession before I complete my degree next year. I am keen to do this in organisations that exemplify best-practice, and where innovating to improve client services is a strategic imperative. ByrneWallace is a prime example of such an organisation.

Law in Ireland is at a crossroads, with technology playing an increasingly significant role in its operation. While this could pose a threat to the traditional legal model, ByrneWallace has chosen to embrace it. By securing an internship with you, I will have an opportunity to work with professionals that are setting industry benchmarks for client services, enabled by leading-edge technological innovations. I was particularly interested to learn that ByrneWallace was the first large law firm in Ireland to be certified with the ISO 27001 information security standard.

 I completed my Leaving Certificate in 2015, achieving 560 out of 600 points, resulting in me receiving an Entrance Exhibition Award from Trinity College in recognition of academic excellence. I have maintained a strong II.1 grade to date.

I have been actively involved in a number of societies throughout my time in college, taking on positions of responsibility on their committees, including, the Law Society, The University Philosophical Society (The Phil), and Trinity Women’s Review. These involvements, with college work, a job, and a social life, have led me to develop very effective organisation, planning and time-management skills.

In an internship, you are both learning and performing, so while I would work hard to learn a lot about the best-practice legal services you offer clients, I would work equally hard to complete any tasks assigned to me.

Finally, I very much admire ByrneWallace’s commitment to corporate social responsibility which resonates strongly with my desire to work for organisations that give back to the community. The firm’s involvement with St John of God is something that I find particularly impressive, knowing of the life-changing impact the organisation has on many lives.

I am keen to build a career where I can make a meaningful difference to people and organisations and hope to have an opportunity to discuss how I can do this as an intern with ByrneWallace.

Kind regards,

Clodagh Prior