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Ms Crona McLoughlin ByrneWallace, 88 Harcourt St, Dublin 2

Dear Ms McLoughlin,

I wish to apply for the traineeship programme and enclose a copy of my CV and application form for your consideration.

I am a hardworking and self-motivated individual, as evidenced from my exam results. I obtained a 2.1 grade in my first, second and third year exams. I received a first class honours in Criminal Law, Legislation and Regulation, Equity, Medical Law & Ethics, Global Public Health Law and Mental Health Issues in the Criminal Justice System. I ranked 7<sup>th</sup> out of 98 in my class in first year and undertook Trinity's Foundation Scholarship exams in second year. I am currently in my fourth year at Trinity College Dublin. I am eager to learn and develop the essential skills needed to be a successful solicitor.

There are a number of areas that ByrneWallace practice that are of interest to me such as Property Law and Corporate Law. However, what particularly influenced me to apply was noticing that ByrneWallace specialises in the Healthcare sector and in Intellectual Property. Having studied both Global Public Health Law and Medical Law and Ethics last year, the healthcare sector is an area that is of great interest to me. Also, I have a keen interest in Intellectual Property having studied it in third year and having interned in FP Logue Solicitors where they mainly focus on Intellectual Property and Data Protection.

I have a strong work ethic and positive attitude to college life. This contributed to my acceptance into Emory University Law School in Atlanta, Georgia, where I was an exchange student for one semester last year. I was one of two Trinity students selected on academic merit to study in Emory University.

I have experience of working in the legal environment from participating in three internships during the summer of 2016. I interned in the Office of the Parliamentary Legal Adviser, Donal Reilly & Collins Solicitors and FP Logue Solicitors. These were three very different internships where I was given the opportunity to experience various areas of the law and complete a range of projects. I thoroughly enjoyed these internships and they convinced me that I want to pursue a career in law.

I feel I am a strong team player with good interpersonal skills. Through my involvement in team sports both in my locality and in college, I have discovered that I enjoy working as part of a team. This was further emphasised after my time in Emory where there was a huge emphasis on small group teaching. As a student mentor in the Trinity Peer Mentor Programme 2014/15, I have experience working in groups and with individuals. I have regularly organised and conducted meet-ups with a group of first year students and assisted with their adjustment to college life. As outlined in my CV, I have many academic and extra-curricular achievements including multiple sports awards.

The chance to work in ByrneWallace would be a wonderful opportunity and I feel that I have the required skills and motivation to be a successful trainee. I have decided to apply, not exclusively for the traineeship, but as part of a long-term goal to work with the company in the future. I would be happy to answer any questions that you may have and to attend an interview any time at your convenience. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Conor Fynes