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RE: Trainee Applications

Dear Sirs

I wish to apply for the position of Trainee Solicitor at Byrne Wallace. Presently, I have just completed a sitting of five (5) FE-1 examinations with the intention of completing the remaining three in the spring.

As a graduate of BCL (Law with Economics), I believe that I am very suited to Byrne Wallace. I think that it is hugely beneficial for any aspiring corporate lawyer to understand not only law, but also financial and business concepts in order to better understand the objectives of the client. These two disciplines compliment each other to this end. I am particularly interested in your aviation practice area, amongst others. As someone who attended school on Leeson Street, I am respectful of the long and proud history Byrne Wallace has in Ireland and indeed the busy commercial area of Dublin 2.

The greatest weakness in my Traineeship application is the examination results I obtained while at third level. This is explained by a personal issue I was experiencing while attending University. It is now resolved and I would be more than happy to discuss this further in person. Nevertheless, I do not think my examination results are a true reflection of my academic abilities or indeed work ethic. Perhaps the results of my leaving certificate would better reflect my academic intellectualism and work ethic.

I am hardworking, diligent and honest. In addition, I have great people skills. I am polite, well-mannered and respectful. My experiences working in numerous part time jobs have taught me that people (customers and colleagues alike) are more open to trusting and listening if they are treated with dignity and respect. I value integrity above all other characteristics.

For the last year, I have been working in legal practice as an intern, while I was preparing for the FE1 examinations. This has provided me with boundless experience which has given me a greater insight into the type of lawyer I will become. I believe the career and I are mutually suited and that my personal conviction and sincerity will benefit me as I progress in my chosen profession. I think I would be suited to a position in Byrne Wallace and am confident that a traineeship would be mutually beneficial.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application and I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss it further. I can be contacted on 086 0648676. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Darragh Bollard

Sent electronically and so bears no signature