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Beth Onslow, HR Administrator, ByrneWallace, 88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02 DK18.

Dear Beth Onslow,

I am writing to express my interest in the summer internship programme offered by ByrneWallace. I decided to follow a career in law as it would allow me to help others in their legal problems. I have always been passionate about helping others. I have taken part in several programmes aimed at doing this, such as the Youth for Justice Project for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and the JCSP Peer Tutoring Initiative. In the Youth for Justice Project, the task was to help highlight poverty in the local area, whereas the JCSP Peer Tutoring Initiative involved being paired with students from lower years who had a difficultly with reading and helping them improve and build up their confidence in their reading skills.

I also enjoy being faced with a challenge and being able to find a way to work through it and complete it. I believe that by being an intern in a commercial law firm, I will be provided with the environment to continually challenge myself. With so many diverse practice areas, everyday could present a new challenge. I work well and enjoy working in a team. This is evident by my work as a waiter, where I have lead a small team to ensure that the quality of work is up to the high standards that management require.

I am highly motivated and take the utmost care in all my work. My job at Temple Bar Inn clearly illustrates this. While this is my first job, excluding short-term work experience that I did during secondary school as part of the Transition Year programme, I went from knowing very little about how restaurants work to now being in charge of all floor duties, reporting only to the restaurant manager. All other waiters report to me initially with any questions or problems they may have. I also discuss on a regular basis with the restaurant manager about making changes to different products that do not sell as well as others in order to find alternatives to maximise profit.

I always strive to do the best I can in my work, both academically and in employment. Working for ByrneWallace as an intern would be ideal as not only is the firm an award winning firm, but also because of the expertise of the employees. I aspire to work with lawyers who are at the top of their field and be able to learn from their expertise.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application. I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Darren Anderson