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Re: Application for Internship Position at ByrneWallace Solicitors, Dublin 2

Dear Ms Onslow,

My name is David Wacks and the nature of this cover letter is that I wish to apply for an internship position at your firm. I am a Junior Sophister Law and Business student at Trinity College Dublin and aspire to pursue a career in the legal sector. Therefore, an internship at your prestigious firm would enable me to gain a practical insight and experience in the legal sector in addition to widening my skills base. I have extensive experience in working and interning in a multitude of positions and I have also participated in many team based activities both of a voluntary and professional nature.

About me: I am an ambitious, diligent and enthusiastic individual who goes above and beyond to ensure that tasks are done to the highest standards. On completion of the DAT's examinations, I was ranked in the top one percent of the speed and accuracy category nationally. I also have excellent leadership qualities and consequently, I was selected by virtue of my participation, avidness and ability to seize new opportunities to head the S2S mentoring programme for the Law School in Trinity College. S2S is a student-led initiative designed to ensure any student in Trinity can get information and support from another student on a host of subjects. However, the Head Mentor role entails significantly more autonomy and hence greater leadership capability is required. This role has helped to significantly enhance and hone my people and teamwork skills, two skills which compliment any quality leader, which will be of benefit to me in the future.

Moreover, I enjoy volunteering during my free time; for instance, I have participated as a Debates Adjudicator in the Concern Debates league and this was an opportunity whereby I could appraise team-members efforts in an impartial manner. I would then converse and debate with fellow adjudicators where necessary to ensure that fair procedures were followed. These leadership skills could be applied to a professional litigation/dispute resolution environment.

In my free time, I enjoy cycling and walking. I have an avid interest in genealogy and currently have traced almost 2,500 relations in my family tree. I enjoy meeting new people and creating new networks.

What would me make stand out as an intern? As mentioned above, I have experience in many different employment sectors. Last summer, I had the pleasure of interning in PwC, a 'Big Four' Professional Services Firm, whereby I further enhanced my soft skills extensively. I am also an honest worker as I have made considerable bank lodgements as part of previous employment. I am also a very confidential individual. I possess great social and communication skills and always ensure that problems are resolved in a professional manner that will yield the most favourable outcome whatever the circumstances presents.

What has inspired me to apply to ByrneWallace? As an undergraduate Law and Business student, an internship with ByrneWallace would be a fantastic opportunity as this firm is a leading corporate firm, with an outstanding reputation including receiving recent recognition at the *Excellence in Business Awards* and receiving the Lexcel Award. An opportunity to work in such an environment would complement my studies and provide me with a fantastic insight into what the world of legal work would entail. The firm's partners are industry leaders, for instance, Darren Daly provided excellent analysis of the position concerning GDPR for businesses in the Irish Times. I admire the diversity and culture of the firm, including the fact the firm has appointed female Managing Director, unlike many other firms who still struggle with gender diversity. The firm also has a large client base including both indigenous and global clients, including Irish Life, Tommy Hilfiger and Royal Bank of Canada. The internship appears to be well coordinated, well balanced and rewarding, which gives interns an accurate depiction of the daily life of a lawyer at ByrneWallace.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I trust you find the above information satisfactory but should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

David Wacks