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Dear Ms McLoughlin

RE: Application – Traineeship

I am writing to apply for the ByrneWallace traineeship programme. I am a graduand of law from Trinity College Dublin, and am currently undertaking an LL.M. in Business Law. I intend to complete the FE1 examinations beginning this March, before qualifying into and practicing commercial law.

My CV demonstrates my experience and ability in commercial law, notably having won the A&L Goodbody innovation competition while focusing on SMEs. I find this of particular relevance given ByrneWallace's commitment to serving SMEs, as evidenced by your honours in the Finance Dublin Awards, and Client Service Award 2017. Further, I received a I.I result in my commercial and labour law dissertation, and being named All-Ireland Winner of the Undergraduate Awards legal category.

I have completed summer internships with A&L Goodbody, Eugene F Collins and Deloitte, and most recently, Mercy Law Resource Centre. These experiences have each contributed to an assurance that the path towards commercial law is one I intend to vigorously pursue, and I would value enormously the opportunity to work with and learn from the team at ByrneWallace.

I make this application in no small part thanks to the excellent, collegiate firm environment I hear described by those who work with you. Friends describe a unique environment among large Irish firms, and I am inspired to apply to a dynamic, growing firm at a unique time in our history, where economic recovery is met with profound economic challenge, and where law firms (and those that work at all levels within them) must tailor solutions to meet those circumstances. While I believe I would be a suitable candidate within a number of practice areas with ByrneWallace, I have a particular interest in working with your Banking and Finance Department, having tracked the market-leading work of this department in advising the Griffin Group under Mark Kavanagh.

I would greatly value the opportunity to demonstrate my enthusiasm to you at interview, and look forward to hearing from you. Many thanks for considering this application.

Yours faithfully

Diarmuid Hickey