The Manager of the Trainee Programme Byrne Wallace 88 Harcourt Street Dublin 2

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am applying for the role of Trainee Solicitor in ByrneWallace. I am a highly motivated and capable person and I believe I would be a suitable candidate for a variety of reasons. Firstly, I am driven and ambitious. I am currently working in HOMS Solicitors in Limerick, a top 20 law firm in Ireland. I am continuing to get first class training and I am provided with a significant amount of responsibility. However, I am extremely keen to build on this experience. I am passionate about assisting clients and delivering high quality legal advice and I want to be involved in a firm where there is a continuous drive to achieve an advantage in the market place not only at national, but international level. I believe ByrneWallace is at the forefront of Irish law firms in order to pursue this ambition.

ByrneWallace is recognised internationally as being at the pinnacle of Irish law firms, having been named as Ireland Client Service Law Firm of the Year 2017 by Chambers Europe and being named as a Finalist Law Firm of the Year 2017 by Chambers Europe. I am aware of the hard work and dedication that is required to remain among the market leaders in this industry but I relish this challenge. Working in ByrneWallace would be an excellent opportunity for me to work alongside, and learn from, the most highly credentialed solicitors in Ireland. I want to develop my career in this challenging, competitive and supportive environment.

I am particularly drawn to ByrneWallace due to the strength of the firm's Real Estate department. Delving into the area of commercial property law has been a long term goal of mine. The prospect of advising major Irish and international corporates on premium value property transactions is highly intriguing to me and I could see myself excelling in this area. Boasting a broad range of clients such as Exeter Property Group and with Managing Partner Catherine Guy involved in this department, naturally I aspire to become a member of this team.

As BynreWallace is a full service firm, the opportunity to experience a wide-range of practice areas to complete my rotations also makes the firm stand out for me. ByrneWallace's commitment to developing and nurturing my skills as a trainee is a recurrent theme and something that I believe is important. The Learning and Development Programme provides an excellent opportunity to supplement the content of PPC1 and PPC2. This culture of learning and training combined with an experience in a variety of seats, and matched with my desire to learn, will ensure that I can develop into an expert in my chosen field.

Finally, it is clear that ByrneWallace invests heavily in its Corporate Social Responsibility. There are a number of highly commendable projects that I would be privileged to take part in. The focus on improving the environment, the Christmas charity donations and the support of Special Olympics Ireland are particularly notable. This reflects a firm which values respect both in terms of its community and the work it does.

I'd now like to thank you for considering my application and I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours faithfully, ***Edward Hynes*.**