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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to apply for your Trainee Solicitor Programme as advertised on your website. I am a recent graduate of Trinity College Dublin, having completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science in May 2016.

It was only during the summer following the completion of my undergraduate studies that I decided upon a career as a solicitor. This decision came about after undertaking careful self-analysis as well as discussing with friends and family how best to make a meaningful and noble career out of my BA degree. I recognise that I do not currently possess the experience of work in a legal environment that may be seen as an asset for a Traineeship applicant. However, I am extremely enthusiastic to have started down this career path and have committed to sitting my first four FE1 exams in April 2017. With dedicated and methodical study I have confidence in myself that I will successfully attain these and progress to sit the remaining four later in the year.

I am applying to Byrne Wallace as I am beginning this career with an effectively open mind as to what specific areas of law I may specialise in in the future. The breadth of opportunities offered by the broad range of practice areas that a large law firm offers is very appealing. The high and rigorous standards of practice demanded by Byrne Wallace, and the primacy of technology in applying these standards, are particularly appealing to me.

I have developed a variety of skills that will lend themselves well to a career as a solicitor, despite not possessing an academic background in law. Throughout my education I have maintained a high standard of presentation in the written and spoken word, winning numerous prizes for exam success in English and Public Speaking as well as acting as Valedictorian for my graduating year. In university I have developed these skills alongside the ability to research primary sources, formulate original arguments and produce large-scale projects, such as my voluntary production of a final year dissertation. I have a passionate interest in current political affairs and technological developments, and would be really passionate to apply these skills and interests as a trainee solicitor with Byrne Wallace.

Please find my CV attached as part of this application process. I am available for a potential interview at any time, and I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Edward Kevin