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RE: Traineeship Programme 2022

Dear Sir/Madam.

I am writing to express my interest in the ByrneWallace 2022 Traineeship Programme. I am committed to pursuing a career in commercial law and will sit my final FE1 examinations this October. I have a strong track record of academic achievement and extensive experience in legal and client service roles that demonstrate my suitability for the role.

By way of introduction, I am a recent graduate with a 1.1 BA in European Studies from Trinity College Dublin and a 1.1 Postgraduate Diploma in Law. I have recently passed five FE1 examinations and intend to sit my final three FE1s this October. Since graduating, I have gained diverse legal experience in both the private and public sectors, including internships at Philip Lee, the Legal Service of the European Commission, and BHSM. These roles have allowed me to gain invaluable exposure to the quality and type of work required in commercial law practice and cemented my commitment and interest to pursue a career in this field. I believe commercial law is a dynamic and rewarding career path, engaging critical thinking and commercial awareness to deliver innovative solutions to clients.

I would like to build a career in commercial law with a firm that I admire. As one of Ireland's leading and most progressive commercial law firms, ByrneWallace stands out in this regard. I have researched a number of firms and their traineeship opportunities, putting time and effort into understanding what makes one firm different from the next. ByrneWallace stands out as an extremely desirable firm to train with, not only for its well-respected reputation, but for its cultivation of an environment for professional growth and development. It is clear from trainee testimonials that ByrneWallace provides trainees with a strong culture of education, supported by the invaluable expertise of its partners and associates. I also admire the firm's extensive pro bono and community-based work which it carries out under its Corporate Responsibility Programme, and I am very interested in working with a firm that gives back to its community.

I would be grateful that you consider my application for this traineeship. I am very interested in training with a forward-thinking and innovative firm like ByrneWallace and I believe, in reference to my academic background, relevant legal and non-legal work experience, skills, and interests, as outlined in my application and CV, that I would make a positive impact in your firm.

Thank you for reviewing my application. I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours faithfully,

Ellen Ashe