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Dear Ms Onslow,

I am writing to apply for the position of trainee solicitor at ByrneWallace. I am currently a final-year student at Trinity College Dublin and will be graduating in 2019 with a degree in Law and Political Science (LLB (Pol Sci)). ByrneWallace is a name that I have encountered with increased frequency as Ireland's only top law firm with Lexcel accreditation and winner of ACQ5's award of *Ireland's Overall Law Firm of 2018*. I want to work at ByrneWallace due to its renowned in-depth training, reputation for exemplary client service and its position as the leading Irish firm for information and security management.

I come from a family of lawyers and grew up listening to people passionately debating the power of the law around me. By the time I was seventeen, I was very sure that I wanted to pursue a career in law -- despite my grandfather (who had practised as a Solicitor in a government agency all his life) advising me and my cousins against it! I enjoy studying law immensely and being a student of Law and Political Science has allowed to consider law and legal rules in a broader context, in particular as an expression of political theory and political policy. My interest and enjoyment of my legal studies have further consolidated my conviction that I want to pursue a career in law as a solicitor.

My joint degree requires a high standard of analytical and writing proficiency. Currently, I am putting my communication and presentation skills to use by volunteering as a tutor for disadvantaged school students as part of the Trinity Voluntary Tuition Programme. As my curriculum vitae indicates, I have developed exceptional creative, interpersonal and organisational skills as a result of my work experience and involvement in university societies. I believe that these skills are well suited to ByrneWallace's fast-moving and friendly environment of empowerment and practice of focusing on the "big picture" to provide the highest level of client service possible.

ByrneWallace's support of career progression and strong educational culture appeals to me greatly. I believe that the opportunity to work in a firm which emphasises the importance of career development through annual training programmes would cultivate the growth of my future legal career. ByrneWallace's persistence as an integral feature of the Irish legal sphere for more than forty years and the firm's legacy of providing expert legal advice has reassured my opinion that a position at ByrneWallace would provide me with a truly valuable experience.

Please find attached my curriculum vitae. I look forward to hearing from you and further discussing this opportunity. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Emily Griffin

