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Dear Sir/Madam,

I herewith submit my application for a traineeship with Byrne Wallace. I have perused the Byrne Wallace website and the firm's impressive record along with its active role in advising a diverse range of clients has prompted me to apply. I believe that an examination of my previous studies coupled with my practical experiences highlights my suitability to undertake a position with the firm.

I have legal experience in contractual interpretation along with precise legal language skills. I have excellent communication skills, both written and verbal and am confident in articulating issues in a clear and concise manner. I have worked bilingually in Germany's largest media monitoring company. My role encompassed tracking media impact analysis and resonance for global firms in a B2B environment and writing highly-detailed and accurate reports according to individual company specifications in the energy and telecommunication sectors. I am also an active legal translator both with the Law-linguist group and on a freelance basis. Translating and editing contracts, briefs and legal correspondence has given me a flair for precise accurate language. I have also undertaken three internships in Irish Law firms. These experiences proved well-rounded and reinforced my decision to pursue a legal career.

In addition to my practical experience I have the advantage of having acquired strong academic qualifications. My education has been predominantly European focused and I concluded my bachelor degree in Law & German (LL.B), at Trinity College Dublin. Seizing the opportunity to explore two legal systems during my studies has strengthened my legal and analytical skills and clarified the idiosyncrasies abundant in diverse legal systems. My interest in energy and competition law flourished and in 2014 I began an MBL in 'Business, Competition and Regulatory Law', focusing on energy & telecommunication law at Freie Universität Berlin. The master program involved in-depth specialisation in European competition, state aid and regulatory law, including a comprehensive economics course. I am particularly drawn by the firm's EU, Competition and Regulatory Law Group and by the firm's commercial focus. I chose to write my master dissertation on 'Fiscal State Aid & Tax Evasion' focusing on transfer pricing in Ireland. I am an avid multi-tasker and I have also completed 6/8 of my Law Society FE1 exams.

It is now most definitely time for me to take the next step towards reaching my goal of working in a fast-paced legal environment. A position at Byrne Wallace would offer me just that. I excel in situations where I am able to use my own initiative and would relish the opportunity to develop my knowledge and skills under the guidance of renowned professionals at Byrne Wallace. I am certain that the opportunity to rotate among the firm's diverse areas of practice will offer me experience that cannot be matched.

I have no hesitation in confessing my absolute desire to work with the firm. I am a particularly committed individual, I set my goals high and I believe that Byrne Wallace, as a highly established and reputable firm offers unparalleled opportunity. Opportunities not only to learn from some of the most dynamic professionals in the field of law, but also to reach my goal of working in a legal

capacity advising clients on a range of issues. Moreover, I feel particularly suited to your firm's work ethos.

Thank you for considering my application. I Look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely,
Emma Bermingham