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Beth Onslow, HR Administrator, Byrne Wallace, 88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Position: Trainee Solicitor Programme 2017

Dear Ms. Onslow,

I am writing to you in order to apply for the trainee solicitor programme with Byrne Wallace as advertised on your careers website.

I have decided to apply to Byrne Wallace, as it is a firm that is well known for its excellence in providing legal advice of the highest quality available in Ireland. It has highly experienced lawyers, who on a daily basis work on the most exciting business deals and high profile corporate projects. To have such an opportunity to work alongside legal professionals of the highest calibre and learn from them would be an invaluable experience in my pursuance of a career as a corporate lawyer.

As a highly motivated university graduate, determined to become an excellent lawyer, I want to join a firm that views its trainees as the next generation of the firm's lawyers and partners. The fact that Byrne Wallace has a longstanding reputation for exceptional training and retaining talent is also very appealing. I appreciate that the firm places a strong emphasis on learning and professional development throughout the traineeship process. I am convinced that it would allow me to further develop my skills and that it would also push myself to realise my true potential as a corporate lawyer and trusted business adviser. I am confident that Byrne Wallace would be the right place for me to build a career as a solicitor, because it offers everything that is necessary for me to succeed in my chosen career.

In my current role as a legal executive I have been exposed to an array of different clients and gained an understanding in different areas of law. I have developed a keen interest in commercial law. It appeals to me because I enjoy dealing with commercial clients and helping them achieve their business objectives, which provides me with a sense of accomplishment and excitement. I also like the idea that there is a significant emphasis placed on teamwork and collaboration, as it helps me to learn and develop my professional skills.

I enjoy volunteering and I always volunteer as a basketball referee in various basketball events organised to raise funds for charitable organisations. I have been refereeing in the Dublin Masters International Basketball Tournament and in Zalgiris Honour Club Basketball Tournament for the past two years. The monies raised are denoted to charitable organisations which help children with special needs and assist families whose children are affected by childhood cancer. I would therefore welcome the opportunity to contribute and engage in pro-bono projects organised by Byrne Wallace partner charities.

I enjoy playing basketball. I play for the BC Leixlip Zalgiris. The club now competes in Division 1 of the Dublin Men's Basketball Board. While playing for the club, I have won multiple gold and silver medals in various basketball tournaments. I also enjoy going to the gym. I find that exercise and team sports help me to combat the stress of study and work. It has also improved my ability to collaborate with others, apply advice, set and achieve personal goals.

In my final year in Dublin City University, I was elected as a class representative for the Economics, Politics and Law programme. I enjoyed dealing with lecturers and bringing to their attention various concerns raised by my classmates. I also had to attend students' union board meetings and convey the information to my fellow student in a concise and clear manner. I was also working full-time in a service station at the time and was a member of the Leixlip Zalgiris basketball club, training once a week and participating in league matches. It improved my teamwork, leadership, organisational and time management skills.

I am available for an interview at any time and look forward very much to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Eugenijus Pocius