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A chara,

I wish to apply for the position of Trainee Solicitor as advertised on your website and I enclose a copy of my CV as requested in the online application.

I am a final year student of Law & Politics at Maynooth University and I hope to graduate with a 2:1 degree. I have maintained my 2:1 average throughout my time at university and naturally I will strive for a 1:1 but at the moment, a high 2:1 is my current grade. I would very much like to train as a solicitor with the guidance of those that work at Byrne Wallace.

The time that I have spent interning in a number of small to medium sized Irish law firms has provided me with a wealth of experience when it comes to working on cases, reviewing legal documents and dealing with clients. My role as a Customer Adviser with Argos Ltd. has also contributed hugely to my interpersonal skills and I have developed a very effective approach to customer service. I enjoy working with people and the satisfaction of the client/customer has always been at the top of my agenda. My experience living abroad and working in a Chinese law firm has contributed to the strengthening of my character and this was my first taste of independence. I feel that this has stood to me.

I have always been a person that enjoys getting involved. Locally, I volunteer as the Treasurer of Westbury Court Residents' Association and I enjoy participating in community events when possible. I also volunteer as a Student Advisor with FLAC, a position that has provided me with further legal experience and enhanced my enthusiasm for the law. My position as President of Maynooth University Politics & Sociology Society has developed my teamwork skills and I am fortunate to work with a diverse and dedicated team. My subjects at university are very important to me and I am dedicated to improving my knowledge in both areas.

I am particularly drawn to Byrne Wallace because of the opportunities provided. Not only would I be in a position to train in a prestigious, commercial law firm but I would also gain further experience in the fields of business and finance. The focus on learning and development that the firm has is extremely important to me and the emphasis placed on

ensuring that the transition from university to a law firm is an easy one, is particularly comforting. I think that the skillset I have developed over the years would be very beneficial to me in Byrne Wallace and I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to learn and develop further as part of your firm.

I look forward to hearing from you and I am available for interview at any time.

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