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Dear Ms. Onslow,

I am writing to apply for an internship at ByrneWallace as advertised at the UCD Law Careers Fair. I am in the senior year of my undergraduate law degree at University of Strasbourg, but am spending my current full academic year on exchange at University College Dublin. For my full relevant academic and professional history, please refer to the attached CV.

Having always viewed commercial law as my main professional interest, I committed, during my time at UCD especially, to deepening my knowledge of company law (insolvency and mergers), employment law: rights and contracts, intellectual property, media & communications, EU & competition law, and lastly, arbitration, which I am currently studying through a Leiden University course. My interest in the above-mentioned fields peaking at UCD is by no means a lucky coincidence; I purposely chose to study in Ireland because of its rapid development as Europe's corporate centre and it is easy to understand how ByrneWallace, country's most progressive law firm, fits in that equation.

Apart from its groundbreaking success in the highlighted areas of practice, especially with regard to employment law and public sector, the main factor that makes ByrneWallace stand out from other potential learning environments for me is its internal structure and working methods that my skills, or more-so my general profile, are precisely tailored to, in particular the programme's coverage of a vast number of areas as well as the focus on technology and inventiveness. In addition, my knowledge of five languages as well as proficiency in multiple jurisdictions perfectly correspond to the firm's links to foreign firms as well as growing transnational clientele, such as Zalando and Martello Group. Another important personal factor is the firm's reputation for LGBTQ+ inclusive working environment.

My multifaceted working experience has helped me develop a vast range of skills, including: attention to detail as a legal research assistant; research, critical thinking and persistent problem solving as a political research assistant; speech & debate, team dynamics as an EYP alumnus and a mooter; ability to work long hours and under time pressure as a Transparency International intern; and finally, interpersonal skills, especially with regard to high profile clients.

I do realise the unconventional nature of my profile as opposed to candidates with more Ireland-centric backgrounds, but I would argue that my academic and work experiences demonstrate a level of adaptability and maintained excellence in multiple fields as well as jurisdictions, which is a quality that ByrneWallace, known for its innovative and forward-thinking nature, should find advantageous, especially in current unpredictable and fast-paced commercial reality.

Thank you in advance for considering my application and I am available for interview at any time and look forward very much to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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