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| HR Executive  Byrne Wallace  88 Harcourt Street  Dublin 2  D02 DK18  Ireland  Dear Hiring Committee,  **Re: Trainee Solicitor Programme 2025**  I am writing to express my strong interest in completing a Traineeship at Byrne Wallace. As a final-year law student at the University of Galway, I am eager to gain practical experience with your esteemed law firm and pursue a career in corporate law.  My previous experiences have strengthened my ambition for a career in corporate law, and I believe your Traineeship would be an ideal step to advance my career goals. After my first year of studying law, I worked at Reid Black Solicitors, where I developed skills in client document management, legal software, and client communication. I was praised for my organisation and efficiency under time pressure. My internship at A&L Goodbody provided my first exposure to corporate law, and I was attracted to the collaborative, fast-paced environment. I gained exposure to Employment, Banking, and Litigation, areas which piqued my interest. My confidence, decisiveness, and problem-solving abilities seemed a good fit for the field. Completing an audit internship at Grant Thornton allowed me to enhance my analytical skills in reviewing financial statements and fostered my commercial awareness.  I am particularly drawn to Byrne Wallace because of the firm’s stellar reputation for nurturing trainee solicitors in a collaborative and supportive environment. The opportunity to engage with various practice areas is especially appealing, as I seek to expand my legal knowledge. My Erasmus year in the Netherlands allowed me to live and work in a diverse environment, which fostered my appreciation for respect, inclusion, and open-mindedness- values that align with Byrne Wallace’s ethos. I was impressed to discover Byrne Wallace was a signatory of Ireland’s Diversity Charter, reflecting the firm’s commitment to creating a more diverse and inclusive legal profession. Academically, I consistently strive for excellence, earning awards at GCSE and University levels. I aim to continue pushing myself to improve and fulfil my potential as a trainee solicitor. I believe Byrne Wallace provides the perfect environment for this, being recognised in The Legal 500 and Chambers Europe for 2023. My ability to multi-task and manage time effectively is well-developed, and I thrive on finding innovative solutions to complex challenges, a key component of corporate law. I am eager to contribute these qualities to your firm while learning and growing professionally.  I am enthusiastic about the opportunity to immerse myself in Byrne Wallace’s work and gain invaluable experience from your esteemed team. I am confident that my passion, strong work ethic, and problem-solving skills will allow me to make a meaningful contribution to your team.  Thank you for taking the time to consider my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss my candidacy further.  Yours faithfully,  Grace Diamond | |