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West Bank,

Palestine.

Byrne Wallace,

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**Re: Traineeship Application – Grainne Tiernan**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am applying for the role as trainee solicitor with Byrne Wallace. As an aspiring solicitor I am committed to receiving the best training available. I believe this can be achieved at Byrne Wallace given its reputation for high standards and from speaking with current trainees at your firm, the work environment and quality of training is excellent.

I am currently based in Bethlehem, Palestine and I am enrolled in an Applied International Law course with Al-Haq Organisation who specialise in corporate complicity in international law violations. I believe this will benefit your firm as I will gain extensive knowledge of the international legal instruments that regulate companies and corporations.

Through my employment at A.C. Forde and Company Solicitors in Dublin, I gained extensive experience in corporate law by acting as support staff to partners and solicitors in commercial and residential conveyancing. Through this role, I was also exposed to the fast paced environment of commercial litigation. From my experience at Simon Parson & Co Lawyers in Australia, I gained valuable insight into the benefits of sophisticated e-conveyancing databases. I was also responsible for independently running case files in the conveyancing department.

As part of a University International Exchange Program, I spent 9 months in France where I developed a high level of written and spoken French. I am also currently in the process of learning Arabic with a view to becoming proficient in the language to enhance my ability to develop my understanding of the current legal status in Palestine.

Outside of my academic achievements, I was awarded both Player of the Year and Coaches Choice Awards for my outstanding contribution to Trafalgar Victory Soccer Club. Throughout my academic years, I participated in debating and business innovations competitions. This lead to being placed as a finalist in the Young Entrepreneurs Competition. I was also heavily involved in the business development of our successful family business *Traditional Hardwoods,* by executing innovative advertising campaigns.

Given the opportunity, I would be committed to proving my ability as both a trainee and a future leading solicitor and developing the foundations for a long and mutually rewarding career at Byrne Wallace. I would like to thank you for reviewing my application and I would welcome the opportunity to provide additional information to supplement the enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

Grainne Tiernan