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Dear sir/madam,

I am writing to you in response to your advertisement for a trainee solicitor which was notified to the Maynooth University Law Department. I am a final year BCL student and have achieved a 2.1 in law and have 12 months' corporate experience with State Street Global Services.

I have gained experience of working in a professional environment through the yearlong placement at State Street Bank. I worked alongside a Client Delivery Management team which allowed me to gain an in-depth insight in corporate finance. During my time in this job I learned the importance of client confidentiality, punctuality and presentation. I also developed a strong desire during my time in the position to pursue a career in commercial law due to the relationship between the business and law.

I am applying to Byrne Wallace for a number of reasons. I see a traineeship at Byrne Wallace as providing a bedrock to my pursuit of a successful legal career. The strong education culture is second to none. The firm holds an outstanding reputation for its high standards of work and its Corporate Social Responsibility policy. I am a firm supporter of the Corporate Responsibility Programme at Byrne Wallace, which has helped to make a difference in peoples' lives through pro bono work and continuous volunteerism such as the Special Olympic Ireland charity bake sale. As a member of the Inclusion and Diversity Committee at State Street Bank, I assisted in organizing a charity sports day with Special Olympic Ireland which was a great success. I believe that in the modern corporate world, work such as this helps make a positive contribution to society and provide more equal opportunities for all.

As a Law and Accounting student, what I find most attractive about Byrne Wallace is the breadth of your Corporate Law practice, spanning many areas ranging from Asset Management to Corporate Restructuring and Tax. I have a keen interest in the commercial world and wish to pursue a career which would allow me to utilize both aspects of my degree. I believe the breadth of your firm's corporate law practice could provide me with an extensive experience and education of this commercial world. I feel that I am a strong fit for Byrne Wallace is a strong fit for me.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any queries in relation to my CV.

Kind regards,

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