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Human Resource Manager,
ByrneWallace,
88 Harcourt Street,
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you in relation to an interest I have in becoming a trainee at ByrneWallace.

I am a recent graduate of Corporate Law and The Bachelor of Laws Degree at NUI Galway. I have been accepted into the Barrister at Law Degree in The King's Inns, however, due to the Coronavirus and in particular the effect that it has had on the training side of the Bar profession, I have decided against accepting my place. Instead, I intend on proceeding with an alternative route to law that I believe will provide me with a more well-rounded and robust learning experience.

I have always enjoyed studying law, but coupled with economics and business, I developed an interest in the corporate and commercial side of things. I believe that pursuing a career as a Solicitor in ByrneWallace with such a diverse client base would satisfy my passion for law and allow me to establish a successful career in not only the profession but the firm.

One of my areas of particular interest is employment law. There are a number of employment law developments that I would expect to see in the next few years, and I think it is crucial that public sectors and semi state bodies are aware of these. If I were fortunate enough to work for ByrneWallace I would have the material advantage of working with lawyers who are the legal advisors to many of these departments and bodies.

Outside of law I have a great interest in travel and adventure sports. Throughout college and since then, I have travelled to several places all over Ireland competing in the Irish University Sailing Association's competitions. I have also held many roles on the committee of the NUIG Sailing Club which has allowed me to appreciate the value of working on a team with people who share common interests and values. Skiing is another passion of mine and when I finished college, I moved to a ski resort in France. Val Thorens is where I worked, skied, and lived with people from all over Europe.

As one of Ireland's leading law firms, I believe ByrneWallace would value greatly from offering a traineeship to someone like me. I have an ambitious passion for law, I have a breadth of academic experience, and I thrive in challenging and demanding environments.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Isabel Whelan.