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Dear Sir/ Madam,

It is with great enthusiasm that I am submitting my application for your consideration for a trainee position.

By way of academic background, I am a Commerce graduate and recently completed a Post Graduate Diploma in Law. I received a 2.1 in both. I strive for high academic results and this is evident in all the exams I have completed including the Leaving Certificate where I ranked in the 91st percentile nationally.

Outside of academics, I have many interests and hobbies. Most recently I compiled a list of 22 things to do while I am 22. The list is made up of both long-term goals and short-term activities. During my free time, I complete the short-term activities. The list is varied and ranges from activities that push me out of my comfort zone such as boxing classes while others allow for furthering interests of mine such as a trip to the Skellig's. I'm a goal oriented person and completing items on the list allows me to ensure that I use my spare time effectively while also obtaining the great feeling of achieving my aims.

I have had an interest in sports since a young age and played team sport throughout school and college, namely gaelic football, hockey and tennis.

In the last couple of years I have developed a real interest in running, this interest stemmed from completing the women's mini marathon in June 2016. I decided to run the mini marathon to challenge myself as I had never taken part in longer distance running. I met with a personal trainer who set me a training plan which I followed for three months preceding the race. I set myself a goal of finishing the race under the time expected for a fast jogger. I did so and this was a massive personal achievement for me. I also managed to raise €300 for charity. After completing one marathon I got a bug for it and decided to run in the Calcutta Run in 2018, I hope to continue running in the Calcutta run representing ByrneWallace.

During the summer of my second year of college I lived and worked in Vancouver. I was hired by Aramark as a stand leader in a busy baseball stadium. I was entrusted with a lot responsibility including; following policies and procedures, ensuring health and safety measures were being met, handling customer queries or complaints and managing a team of 15 stand workers. My time working as stand leader allowed me to develop a number of key skills for working in law. From managing a team of people, I developed my communication skills as I had to ensure the effective working

of the team in order to reach Aramark's ultimate goal. I also gained problem solving and negotiation skills from handling customers complaints and queries, I displayed these skills when I designed a new food collection system in response to customer complaints on waiting times. Apart from the valuable transferable skills I learned while working in Vancouver, I also gained great life experience. I immersed myself in the North American culture by working in a baseball stadium and living in a frat house and created life long memories.

ByrneWallace is the perfect firm for me and alike I am the perfect trainee for ByrneWallace because, through my previous work and experiences I have already developed and demonstrated the qualities that ByrneWallace finds important; communication, leadership, problem solving, decision making, time management and leadership. I am excited about demonstrating and developing these qualities in order to protect and promote client's interests. Secondly, from studying commerce in my undergraduate degree I have a keen interest in business. Training in ByrneWallace would allow me to marry my passion for business and my passion for law. I am excited about using my business knowledge in a legal environment to help in some of the largest commercial transactions. I studied a Global Business module while in college, for this module I had to complete a project on the company Joule and its greater expansion into Europe. I was very excited to see that ByrneWallace advised on the sale of Joule to a Dutch company. When I read articles such as this it confirms to me that my business knowledge will be valuable for training in ByrneWallace.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me. I hope you look on my application favourably.

Kind regards

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