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**Re: Trainee Solicitor Programme**

Dear Gráinne McManus,

My name is Jack Walsh, I am a final year law student at Trinity College Dublin, and I am interested in applying for the trainee solicitor programme at Byrne Wallace.

I pride myself in having a great attention to detail, excellent time management skills and an eagerness to learn. I have extensive customer service experience from my previous roles at Donnelly Fresh and Claire's Accessories along with my current position at Marks & Spencer. I am responsible for all communications and member wellbeing as Librarian of the 90<sup>th</sup> session of Trinity College Law Society, the largest student-run society on campus. I was elected to this role in April 2023 by our members and it involves using the excellent communication and interpersonal skills I have learned from previous roles. Furthermore, I was head of the Law Society's "Outreach" Programme last year which helped me to develop strong leadership and problem-solving skills along with the ability to thrive under pressure.

As a summer intern in Beauchamps LLP, I had the opportunity to work in their real estate department. Byrne Wallace's real estate team is widely accepted as one of the leading property practices in Ireland, and this is one of the key factors that interests me in the firm. Working with large property developers such as Glenveagh PLC is a prospect that really excites me. I believe I would enjoy working on projects including new residential schemes and commercial units. Real estate remains a demanding sector for the legal profession with Byrne Wallace appointing two new partners to their property team in July of last year.

One thing that sets Byrne Wallace apart from other firms for me is their offices. Instead of residing in large modern building, the firm has decided to lovingly restore a stunning Georgian building in one of Dublin city's most iconic locations. While working at Barry O'Donnell Solicitors, I was lucky enough to visit the building on a number of occasions to deliver post. I think it is fantastic to see Irish businesses preserve and utilise our city's classic buildings. I am aware that the firm spent some time in the 2010's down by Grand Canal Dock and I am glad to see them back at their beautiful offices on Harcourt Street.

I would now like to put all the skills I have learned together and use them effectively to make a positive contribution to the team at Byrne Wallace and gain some hands-on experience in the corporate world.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my application. I am available for interview at any time convenient to you and I look forward very much to your response.

Yours sincerely,

Jack Walsh