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Dear Ms Onslow,

I am a fourth year Law and Political Science student at Trinity College Dublin and I am pleased to enclose my application to the internship programme at ByrneWallace.

I have an outward looking approach to the world, typified in moving to Ireland for my LLB, interning one summer in France, and spending last year on Erasmus at Humboldt Universitat zu Berlin. I am a clear communicator and enjoy problem solving both collaboratively and as an individual. Together, these help to drive my ambition to pursue a career in law.

In applying for the internship programme, I am motivated by ByrneWallace's reputation as a leading Irish law firm. As one of Ireland's largest law firms, working at ByrneWallace would be an opportunity to contribute to the work of some of Ireland's foremost commercial practitioners. I am attracted to working in a firm whose expertise spans practice areas and which is recognised as the Top Legal Adviser in the public sector. In particular, I am interested by ByrneWallace's leading employment and construction teams.

The reputations of ByrneWallace's intern and trainee programmes also stand it apart. Former interns and current trainees have consistently detailed the level of support provided and the talented intake of students. I enjoy working alongside ambitious, diligent people and get the best from myself when I collaborate with them. Trainees have spoken highly of carrying out rotations across practice areas as this makes them more well-rounded solicitors who then appreciate the depth and breadth of legal services the firm provides. Trainees have also stressed the sports teams which foster excellent teamwork and make cross-departmental introductions. Put simply, from training to practice, and from intern to partner, ByrneWallace's reputation is exemplary.

I am fascinated by the commercial world and I have worked in a range of paid support roles in the service industry. Last summer, during a consultancy internship, I reviewed the scalability potential of 500+ SMEs across Sub-Saharan Africa. This helped me understand the variety of goals and objectives that clients can have. Together, all these roles have proved to me the importance of building lasting working relationships.

I am confident both leading and working in teams. In my second year at Trinity, I was elected chairman of the Caledonian Society with overall responsibility for running the committee and acting as the society's external face. I was also elected Pro-Treasurer of the Philosophical Society, handling external clients and coordinating across committee teams on the delivery of an alumni magazine I initiated. These positions proved to me that I can work well under pressure and collaborate with a diverse range of personalities on project delivery.

In completing your internship programme, I would have the opportunity to experience in a real commercial context a practical use of skills I have begun developing while in positions of responsibility. Looking forward, I am interested in applying for ByrneWallace's Trainee Programme. Being immersed in day-to-day life at ByrneWallace, I am confident I would rapidly develop my skillset and be a positive addition to the firm.

Yours sincerely,

James Ware