35 Seafield Court

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ByrneWallace,  
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20 October 2017.

Dear Madam/Sir,

I would like to apply for the opportunity to participate in your trainee programme. I am currently a University College Dublin graduate, having completed a Bachelor of Civil Law in May 2016 with a 2:1 degree. I enclose a copy of my CV for your attention.

I feel that I am a strong candidate for your trainee programme. I have a keen interest in corporate and commercial law and have an extremely strong work ethic. I am an enthusiastic graduate and I dedicate myself to each and every aspect of my work, always striving to better my performance until my full potential has been reached. I have extensive research skills, which are complimented by my attention to detail. I demonstrated this during my four-week internship in A&L Goodbody. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience and was asked to stay on for another six weeks due to my competence, enthusiasm and an increased working pressure ahead of the completion of Project Finn, thus completing a full internship term of ten weeks. I am a great communicator and work well within a team, having regularly demonstrated this whilst working with Compass Catering Ireland in order to continually satisfy the needs of our clients.

Having researched your firm, my motivation to apply to become your trainee stems from the type of legal expertise that ByrneWallace provides. This opportunity would allow me to work within an internationally recognised, leading Irish law firm. I have a desire to collaborate with leaders at the forefront of their industries in order to solve complex legal problems and devise practical and innovative solutions as part of a mutually supportive team.

I am drawn to the progressive and co-operative culture of thefirm. This opportunity would allow me to contribute and gain exposure to extremely high profile clients and cases. I have a keen interest in technology law and have been captivated by the recent landmark decision in the Schrems case. During my internship in Mason Hayes & Curran I had the opportunity to make a presentation on the GDPR to a panel of the firm’s partners. As the first large Irish law firm certified with ISO 27001, ByrneWallace has a unique understanding of the challenges organisations face in relation to data security, cybercrime and the onerous task of ensuring future compliance with the GDPR. Most recently on 11 October 2017, ByrneWallace hosted a GDPR conference in order to assist SMEs and public sector bodies to prepare for the incoming changes. This is an environment that I am keen to immerse myself in, in order to learn from those who are pioneers in this area across the Irish legal landscape.

Lastly, It is my goal to become the next generation partner that will continue to grow and drive the business into the future. I will demonstrate my drive and determination to succeed if presented with the opportunity by your firm. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, ByrneWallace, for taking time out to read my application. I look forward to hearing from you. I am available at any time should you wish to further discuss my application.

Yours sincerely,

James Winterlich.