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To whom it concerns,

My name is Jane Leydon and I am writing to you to express my deep interest in the Byrne Wallace Trainee Programme and why I should work in Byrne Wallace.

I am a hardworking enthusiastic Business and Law student at UCD with a passion for law. Since I started in UCD I have really enjoyed mooting competitions, they have helped me to develop advocacy and analytical skills and increased my curiosity for the practical side of Law. I have the opportunity to work with a Junior Counsel in the Four Courts Dublin, Mullingar and Tullamore District Courts, on an ad-hoc basis further increasing my interest in Law.

I am a team player, I play competitive football and I am an elected membership officer of a young political society in UCD which also gives me the opportunity to strengthen my organisational, communication and interpersonal skills, I would love to have the opportunity to discuss how I could contribute to Byrne Wallace as a trainee in the future.

I am eager to work in Byrne Wallace because I want to learn from experts and work with lawyers who work with a strong sense of collaboration and connection. I want to work in a Law firm that gives me the opportunity to apply my business knowledge and skills. Byrne Wallace satisfies this, being a firm that provides service to an international client base and providing service to clients in the areas of corporate, consumer and employment law. I am particularly attracted to your firm as it provides services in the areas of Health and social care, Litigation and Dispute resolution and Child Care law.

I found an acute interest for medical law when I interned at the Society of Legal Scholars Annual conference in UCD this year. As an intern one of my responsibilities was to organise a subject session. I was fortunate to be responsible for the medical law session which provided me with the opportunity to engage in discussion with medical law practitioners. This opened my eyes to the complexities of medical law and I became enthusiastic about working in this field in my future career as a solicitor. Byrne Wallace provides services to clients in the field of medical law, and I feel that my profound interest and eagerness to work in the area would be valuable to Byrne Wallace.

The trainee programme particularly appeals to me because it provides an opportunity to work in the major practice field of litigation. Litigation is an area of law I am keen to experience and I hope to work In Byrne Wallace, having an award-winning Litigation department and the litigation case of the year in 2014. I have developed advocacy and mooting skills throughout my time in University. I have competed in mooting competitions and this year I am studying my favourite module to date which is an advocacy and mooting module. I am hoping to develop and strengthen these skills and I know that Byrne Wallace will be the best place to do that. Furthermore, I understand that Byrne Wallace provides services in the area of personal injury litigation. I have experience in this area from my work with a barrister and it is an area that I have an aptitude for.

Having studied both family law modules in UCD, I have a strong interest in this area of law and it is one that I hope to work in. I have experienced work in this area in both my time working in a solicitor’s office and working with a barrister. Byrne Wallace provides child care law services and I know that this is an area of law that I could contribute to in your firm.

In conclusion, I have an excellent work and team ethic, complimented with a sincere passion for law. I would be a committed, enthusiastic and diligent trainee for Byrne Wallace.

I hope you consider my application and thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Leydon