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Dear Sir/Madam.

My name is Jean Hynes and I wish to apply for the summer Internship position in Byrne Wallace. I am from Moycullen, Co. Galway and am a third year business and law student studying in University College Dublin. I have a 3.57 GPA and am on course to graduate in 2021. After I complete my studies I intend to compliment my undergraduate degree by sitting my FE1 exams to become a qualified solicitor. I would really appreciate the experience of a summer internship in Byrne Wallace because not only are you a very well recognised corporate law firm but you have a strong history in training and producing top quality solicitors. The emphasis Byrne Wallace places on diversity and inclusion within the workplace appeals to me greatly. The opportunity afforded to women within the workplace as demonstrated by the number of female partners is a really promising and enticing prospect and shows that you are a firm with integrity. All of these factors have led to my decision to apply to Beauchamp. I have always strived to reach my maximum potential at whatever I do and believe that working in Byrne Wallace would provide me with the best opportunity to start off my career in corporate law.

I am presently studying abroad in Bocconi university Milan for a semester as part of my degree. I consider myself an independent, flexible and well-rounded person as evidenced by my moving to Dublin at 17 years old only knowing one other person in my course to spending a summer in Vancouver, and now a semester abroad in Milan. I really enjoy meeting new people experiencing new things, immersing myself in new cultures and adapting to their way of life. I believe these experiences have all given me valuable interpersonal skills and a true appreciation for the diverse cultures the world has to offer. These aspects of my personality would make me a good candidate for the summer internship programme at Byrne Wallace.

I have a keen interest in sports, particularly Gaelic football and am proud to say I have represented my county at underage level and played for Galway in an all-Ireland U16 Ladies football final. However my proudest achievement to date would have to be reaching an all-Ireland semi-final with my club when I was in my first year of college. It was difficult at the time to make the regular journey home to Moycullen for training, whilst balancing settling into my new home in Dublin, keeping on top of college work and making new friends in a new city. However I knew I had to make it work and this period of time taught me a lot about the importance of time management and efficiency which are valuable skills I will take with me into my legal career. While we did not win the semi-final we did perform at a very high standard and managed to come back from a significant deficit to lose by a single point. It was a tough defeat to take but the determination, never say die attitude, and the ability to bounce back from defeat are some of the most valuable traits sport has ingrained in me. On top of this I have also had a number of very different part time jobs over the years ranging from working in my local grocery store, to supervising a shop for a summer in Canada to filming a national advertisement campaign with SSE Airtricity. The diversity of these jobs have acquired me a wide set of skills ranging from learning how to work on the high intensity environment of a film set and improvise and adapt during the audition process, to learning how to manage an delegate as a store supervisor. As a whole maintaining a part time job has supported me financially and given me a strong sense of work ethic.

I trust I have demonstrated the drive and skills necessary to be considered a suitable candidate for your summer internship programme and in turn be an asset to your firm in the future. Thank you for taking the time to read my application.

Yours sincerely,

Jean Hynes.