ByrneWallace

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**RE: Traineeship Application**

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Kate Fagan and I am currently a Senior Sophister Law student in Trinity College Dublin. I am writing to you to submit my application for the ByrneWallace Trainee Solicitor Programme. I have attached my CV with my application as requested.

I am a confident, pleasant and hardworking individual. Furthermore I have excellent communication skills and I am always eager to learn and gain experience in different areas. As is evident from my CV I am well-rounded and I successfully balance my time between sport, academics and other extra-curricular activities. Additionally, I have the initiative to put myself forward for opportunities and to gain new skills. For example, I was exempted from Irish during secondary school but in hindsight I wish I had studied it. On starting college I applied for the voluntary Irish classes that Trinity provide and I have participated in them in an effort to learn some basic Irish for my own purposes.

I am applying for a Traineeship with ByrneWallace as I have thoroughly enjoyed my law studies thus far and I would relish the chance to apply the knowledge I have gained during my degree as an employee in a vibrant legal practice and to become qualified as a solicitor. ByrneWallace being one of the top law firms in Ireland, is the perfect place to do a traineeship and the opportunity to gain experience across the many areas in which ByrneWallace operates, from Family Law to Tax is one I would seize with both hands. Furthermore, the exposure to a diverse set of clients, both Irish and international is incredibly attractive and I feel that this would lead to an un-paralleled traineeship experience.

From June to August 2015, I undertook an internship in the VAT department of KPMG Dublin. I had considered becoming a qualified accountant and tax advisor prior to the internship as I have an interest in business and had enjoyed accountancy for the Leaving Certificate. I greatly enjoyed my internship and the culture of working in a large, international firm. I also gained many transferrable skills which I feel will serve me well in my future career. However, the experience showed me that accountancy was not for me and helped me to realise that I wanted to be a solicitor. I still maintain my interest in the Business world and particularly the area of tax, and ByrneWallace as a leading corporate law firm would provide continued exposure to this sphere whilst becoming a solicitor.

I believe that the above indicates that I would be a good candidate for a Traineeship in ByrneWallace. I would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you, to discuss my suitability. Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider my application, I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Kate Fagan