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Co Kildare.
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Sinead Fox,
HR Administrator,
ByrneWallace,
88 Harcourt Street,
Dublin 2.

Dear Ms Fox,

I would like to apply for a place on the 2016 Summer Intern Programme with ByrneWallace. I enclose my application form and Curriculum Vitae for your attention.

I am a final year student at University College Dublin and will complete my BCL (International) degree in May 2016. I studied on exchange in DePaul College of Law, Chicago in my third year.

I feel that I would be very well suited to the Internship Programme at ByrneWallace and to the firm in general. I have always been aware of ByrneWallace's graduate opportunities and have been very impressed by the enthusiasm of trainees I have met from the firm. ByrneWallace really stands out to me from any other firm. Your approach to the Internship Programme as an investment in the future of both the firm and the interns is very attractive and I feel that it would provide an ideal setting for me to thrive in my legal career. The fact that the practice areas are so far-reaching also really entices me. The fact that ByrneWallace excels in areas like Employment Law, Family Law and Child Care Law really stands out to me, given my prior experience of these areas while in the Domestic Violence Courthouse in Chicago and in KOD Lyons and Brophy Solicitors in Dublin. Advising the Child and Family Agency on a landmark case before the Supreme Court is exceptionally impressive. ByrneWallace's expertise expands such wide areas, including advising on 25% of venture funds raised by Irish companies in 2015. I would love to see myself working with the firm in the future so I would greatly appreciate an opportunity to gain first-hand experience in the firm as an Intern. ByrneWallace is by far the law firm of choice for me, mainly due to its reputation and history of representing such high profile clients. The fact that ByrneWallace have won Employment Law Team of the Year and has been awarded the Lexcel Standard of Excellence is also extremely impressive.

I feel that I would benefit enormously from the opportunity of interning with ByrneWallace. The commercial nature of the firm is one that interests me greatly. I have had exposure to the world of business and am very interested in the legal aspects of business. I was involved in the Green Apple Awards in the UK in 2012 and presented awards to 50 businesses. The opportunity to meet so many esteemed business people was one which I could not pass up and reinforced my interest in how the business world functions. My involvement in the ELSA Summer School taught me more about the impact of law on the corporate world. It gave me an insight into the work of a commercial solicitor and showed me that it is something I would truly enjoy. My experience with the UCD Student Legal Service has also helped me to develop knowledge and skills that will be most useful to me as a commercial solicitor.

I believe that I would be an excellent candidate for the Internship Programme. I am highly motivated and organised with exceptional attention to detail and would not shy away from any challenge. My recent experience in Brophy Solicitors has reinforced my commitment to a career in law and has allowed me to gain experience in many different legal areas. Through this and my other work placements and extra-curricular responsibilities as outlined in my CV, I have developed exceptional organisational, research and interpersonal skills that I feel make me an ideal candidate for ByrneWallace.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would really appreciate the opportunity to meet in person to discuss the possibility of joining your team. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Moloney