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Re: Trainee Solicitor Application 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am interested in applying to the ByrneWallace LLP Trainee Solicitor programme and am specifically looking to be considered for the 2023 intake.

I have passed seven FE-1 examinations and am awaiting results of my final exam, Company Law. I am a graduate of University College Cork, where I attained a 2.1 in the BCL International programme, which included an academic year in Shanghai.

I have over two and a half years legal experience in a busy firm, currently as a Legal Executive having recently been promoted from Legal Assistant. My work has focused on the areas of bankruptcy, plaintiff and defendant litigation in the Circuit and High Courts, and debt negotiations. Additionally, I have been able to gain exposure to wills, RTB matters, product liability and personal injuries cases.

I am seeking to train in ByrneWallace, a corporate environment, because while I have gained a breath of experience in my current firm my work so far has been focused on private clients. I hope to expand my experience significantly, to add value for large and corporate and commercial clients, while growing and progressing in a corporate environment.

ByrneWallace is a firm that has always appealed to me. The firm is well known for legal excellence and an extensive client book but the real draw, for me, is because ByrneWallace is well regarded as being a fair and upstanding firm and employer. I was not surprised as I watched the trainee webinar to see Fergal Brennan describe the values and culture of the firm as decency, honesty, and honour. It is clear the firm has been effective in implementing such values, as these sentiments are echoed in the genuine industry reputation of ByrneWallace. It is for these reasons that I aspire to train here and to implement these values in my career.

I would be most obliged to have the opportunity to discuss and expand on my application with you at first round interview stage.

Yours faithfully,

Kathleen O'Carroll

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