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To whom it may concern

I enclose my CV in application for the Byrne Wallace summer intern programme. I am a final year Law with Social Justice student in UCD. As an intellectually curious individual, I wish to find a stimulating career where the challenges of the job are constantly changing, and I am eager to experience work at the foremost Irish commercial law firm.

My primary goal in seeking career opportunities is to equip myself with the best possible mentoring for a successful future practice as a corporate lawyer. Throughout my degree, I have been consistently impressed by Byrne Wallace’s dedication to training and providing development opportunities to students in UCD. The firm’s comprehensive training programme is my primary motivation for applying. Moreover, the firm’s multi-specialist approach has ensured the firm stands out as offering something unique and valuable in the Irish and international legal market. This is evident by the number of awards won every year by Byrne Wallace. My interest in commercial law has been developed by both study and corporate experience. I am ambitious, driven and I enjoy working as part of a team. My multidisciplinary degree has equipped me with commercial acumen and the ability to deconstruct complex issues in law and policy. I have a genuine enthusiasm for the fast-moving realities of commercial life and the complex legal system that supports it.

I am a keen competitive debater, and the recent champion of the UCD Women’s Open 2017. I have reached the finals of multiple intervarsity championships, including the Irish National Law Debates 2017, Cork Open 2016, and I have represented UCD at the European University Debating Championships. I am passionate about expanding access to competitive debate for disadvantaged students, and during my time at UCD I was elected Outreach Officer for the UCD Literary and Historical Society. I designed and coordinated a debating programme where university students volunteered their time to provide debate coaching in DEIS schools. Last year, I was employed as a legal intern at Eugene F Collins. My final review was very positive, praising my professionalism, work ethic and highlighting my presentation skills on the topic of Cyber-Security which shows my aptitude in corporate law. I was also hired as debate coach at ISSOS, an elite summer school in Cambridge, where I created and delivered a tailored debate curriculum to international students. I believe my strong work ethic, dedication to diligence, my ability to work under pressure and to balance responsibilities effectively corresponds to Byrne Wallace’s pursuit of excellence.

I am available for interview and look forward to hearing from you. If you have any other questions, do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

Yours faithfully

*Katie Rooney*