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**Re: Summer Internship Programme 2019 Application – Kevin Brophy**

Dear Sir or Madam

I wish to apply for the above position as advertised on www.byrnewallace.com.

I am a second year Masters in Common Law student in University College Dublin and would very much like to be considered for the position of Summer Intern in Byrne Wallace for the reasons outlined below.

Throughout my time in UCD I have had a number of interactions with ByrneWallace staff at various open days and was always impressed by their professionalism, sincerity and comradery.

I have always been particularly taken by the emphasis your Firm places on both teamwork and its open-door policy. Teamwork is a vital component in any organisation and is not just something which I believe I could benefit from but is also something that I could contribute to.

I believe ByrneWallace’s Summer Internship Programme is the optimum opportunity for me given that the Firm won “Overall Law Firm Of The Year” at the ACQ5 Law Awards 2018 and also won “Lawyer Of The Year 2018” at the Clinch Wealth Management Irish Law Awards.

ByrneWallace’s clients, consisting of top multinationals, financial institutions, entrepreneurs and investors, are also very exciting prospects to be able to work with. It is my ambition to become a top tier corporate lawyer and I believe ByrneWallace will facilitate my development in this regard. I also understand that the Firm has impressive intern and trainee retention rates which further enforces my belief that I can enjoy a career with the Firm.

Both of my experiences working with Clark Hill Solicitors and being elected to the Editorial Board of the UCD Law Review have exposed me to several areas of law that I have developed a keen interest in, such as Litigation and Dispute Resolution. I have an interest in Restructuring & Insolvency as I have real life experience of creditors’ and members’ voluntary liquidations. I also hope to spend time in the Banking and Finance sector, as I thoroughly enjoyed studying International Money and Banking in my undergraduate degree. I also believe that my interest in Health and Social Care law sets me apart from other candidates.

My experience as an international student in Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada has provided me with a much more globalised perspective on the job market, and it is imperative for me that I emerge as a solicitor with a qualification that is internationally recognised and respected, which is why I believe that ByrneWallace is the optimal opportunity for me.

I also have an interest in Pro Bono projects which I understand the Firm engages in and have enjoyed the social justice modules I studied in university.

I cannot convey how wonderful an opportunity it would be to spend four weeks working alongside some of the country’s leading practitioners. While I understand that such an internship is an important chance for me to gain practical experience in how the law operates, I also feel that I would be able to make a valuable contribution to the Firm. My Bachelor of Arts (International) in Economics, Politics and International Relations provides me with a unique lens through which I can analyse the law. I believe this level of commercial and political acumen is an advantage my undergraduate degree grants me over those students who studied Pure Law. I achieved a First Class Honours in the final year of my undergraduate degree, confirming I possess strong academic ability.

I understand that ByrneWallace has excellent training programmes and clear lines for career advancement. I should be grateful for the opportunity to intern as a corporate solicitor.

I am prepared for challenging opportunities and believe that I will be a strong asset to your workplace and that I can bring strong initiative, leadership, communication and team member skills to the advertised position.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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