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**Re: Trainee Solicitor Programme**

Dear Sirs,

I have a range of qualities which would make me a significant asset to the ByrneWallace team.

I have a BCL from Dublin City University and I have also completed a General LL.M. in University College Dublin. My work experience to date has either involved the use of skills that are transferable into a legal environment or affirmed my desire to pursue a career in a commercial law firm. On both of my J1’s I exhibited my professional and courteous nature in engaging with customers to deliver excellent service. Having recently completed an internship in Dillon Eustace I have first hand experience of what it is like to work in a large commercial law firm and the many challenges that one can face on a daily basis. Over the course of this internship I developed relationships with a wide range of individuals in areas such as Property, Banking and Litigation. This allowed me to gain a broader understanding of the firm’s acitvities and I found that I had a genuine interest in the work that my colleagues were undertaking.

Having recently been awarded for its excellence in client service and to also be the first and only large Irish firm with Lexcel accreditation it is clear that the firm holds very high standards. In particular, to have been awarded the latter ‘international quality mark of excellence’ for the fourth consecutive year demonstrates that not only does the firm seek and deliver excellence, it also maintains it. The recent addition of four new partners to the firm, across a range of departments, shows that these high standards are translating into more business and the continued growth of ByrneWallace.

As a prospective employee I am looking not only to commit to the length of a traineeship but to commit my future to a firm and it is clear that ByrneWallace has a highly promising future. It is for these reasons that I would love to be considered for a position.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Kevin Cowhey