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Byrne Wallace

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to apply for your firm’s trainee solicitor programme. I have just completed my final year of the Law plus Economics Degree programme in the University of Limerick where I graduated with a 2:1 degree. I will sit all 8 FE1 examinations in March 2016. I am a strong academic student and received the Matheson award for achieving the top results in both contract law modules.

It has been a long term ambition of mine to train in a leading law firm. From a young age I noticed that legal issues and the Courts were always headline news. This gave me a keen interest in law and I picked my leaving certificate subjects (History, Business) with a view to studying law at university. Through various legal work placements I have gained great experience and an interest in the commercial law environment. This experience coupled with a passion for subjects such as contract and commercial law has reinforced my view that a career as a commercial lawyer would offer a stimulating, challenging and rewarding career. I believe that Byrne Wallace, with its many awards and significant clients, would be an exceptional firm to train in.

I have legal experience in both contentious and non-contentious law. I have worked in a fast paced debt recovery department during my cooperative work placement and am currently an intern in a busy plaintiff litigation department where I have the workload of a trainee. I have also worked in a commercial and a financial services department where I helped solicitors in their role as business advisors. I thoroughly enjoyed the research based nature of this area of law. I also worked in a small general practice where I learned the value of keeping a close relationship with each client.

I am hardworking. I have worked every weekend to fund my studies and also work late hours and on weekends during my legal internships. I am ambitious. I always strive to do my best and want to work with the best. I enjoy challenges, for example the challenge of passing all 8 FE1s in one sitting. I am also a personable individual with a great sense of humour and enjoy working with people.

I would relish the opportunity to learn and contribute in your leading firm. I attach my curriculum vitae and would be very grateful to hear from you.

Yours faithfully,

Kieran Hanna