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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a Trinity College Dublin law graduate and I am writing to you regarding my interest in a Trainee position with Byrne Wallace. I completed my Law degree in 2018 and obtained an Upper Second Class Honours classification. Byrne Wallace is a pre-eminent law firm across multiple legal disciplines in Ireland, and for that reason, I wish to develop my legal acumen and ability with the firm.

I have worked as a Legal Executive for six months with Peter Boyle & Co. Solicitors. This experience has provided me with exposure to a wide variety of legal issues including medical negligence, injunctions and personal injury claims. Peter Boyle & Co. Solicitors has allowed me to fully witness and experience the real-life impact of litigation for the client. I thoroughly enjoy the client-facing nature of this role and my firm ambition is to develop this further within Byrne Wallace. As a varied firm providing tailored expert analysis while achieving results for both individual and corporate clients, working for Byrne Wallace would give me immense personal satisfaction.

Byrne Wallace has proven Litigation expertise, obtaining the best possible outcomes for their clients. This commitment to providing specialist legal advice and excellent client service is reflected by the strong, long-lasting and trusted relationships built with clients. To become distinguished in litigation, effective communication skills and well developed interpersonal skills are prerequisites. Throughout my education, I have been elected by both peers and members of staff to act as an intermediary. As Class Representative during my final year in Trinity College, I negotiated with staff members regarding the issues facing my year group. Participating in these discussions confirmed my interest in litigation and dispute resolution. I would welcome the opportunity to add value whilst further developing my skills in this area within your firm.

Byrne Wallace has a strong commitment to excellence and expects high standards. These principles align with my own, I am an ambitious person who sets high expectations for myself. As an 11 year old, I set my sights on receiving an award as a Model United Nations delegate. I had to build upon my ability to engage constructively in debates on complex and sensitive issues. Having strong investigation skills and an ability to pinpoint pivotal moments are an absolute must in this competitive field. One year later, after representing my school across Ireland and the UK and have received a commendation as Best Delegate and was part of an award-winning Best Delegation.

Adapting to different environments, workplaces, and schools is something I have consistently excelled at. I was educated in Ireland, England and Canada which has helped me become a truly global citizen, improved my self-awareness and developed a refined tolerance for ambiguity. As a result of travelling, I have become confident when taking initiative in all areas of my life. I have learnt to apply this same level of confidence when building relationships and producing quality work.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application. I hope that on consideration of my application, you will be persuaded by my potential to progress within Byrne Wallace. I would very much like to be a contributing factor in your continued growth in Ireland.

For any further information, please contact me by email at kirstindeery@hotmail.com or by telephone at 083 837 1475.

Best regards

Kirstin Deery