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To whom it may concern,

My name is Laura Finn and I am a Senior Sophister Law and Political Science student at Trinity College, Dublin. I am writing to apply for a place in your Trainee Solicitor Programme.

Byrne Wallace is a leading commercial law firm in Ireland and has cemented its reputation as a top-class firm that has become the firm of choice for an increasing number of large, high profile clients. Byrne Wallace is at the forefront of law in Ireland, having been awarded Law Firm of the Year 2016 at the AIB Private Banking Irish Law Awards. It is the first large Irish law firm certified for ISO 27001 by Certification Europe in Ireland, which further highlights its leading position in the Irish legal profession and I firmly believe it is the best place for me to receive the highest quality training and to start my career in law successfully.

It is clear that Byrne Wallace values its trainees in ways unparalleled by other large law firms in Ireland. This is evident not only through the quality of the challenging work assigned to trainees but also from Learning and Development Programme and the rewarding working environment. The collegiate and sociable culture and Corporate Social Responsibility dimension at Byrne Wallace are both hugely attractive and are just two of the many reasons why I believe Byrne Wallace is the place for me to best realise my potential through exceptional training while working alongside experienced partners and solicitors on high-profile cases. I have been struck by the diverse range of practice areas within Byrne Wallace, and have an interest in the Commercial Litigation and Intellectual Property practice areas. Having enjoyed my time as an intern in the tax department in a commercial law firm, I have a particular interest in the Byrne Wallace Tax practice area.

I am hardworking, dedicated and strive to achieve the best standard I can in the work I do, as my academic achievements to date show. Moreover, my involvement with various sports teams and societies has equipped me with the necessary interpersonal and communication skills to work well with others as part of a team. I have developed a commercial awareness from working in retail and from my time spent as an intern at Ronan Daly Jermyn, and have an understanding of what matters to a client and thus, a business, and I know that Byrne Wallace will help me further my knowledge in this area. I believe that as a result of my studies in both law and political science I can bring a fresh and dynamic way of thinking, negotiating and problem solving. I thrive in a fast-paced environment and am not one to shy away from a challenge, qualities I believe are essential to succeeding as a commercial lawyer. I firmly believe that the traineeship programme at Byrne Wallace is the ideal place for me to learn the innermost workings of a leading commercial firm while learning and developing my knowledge and skills in the hope of becoming a Byrne Wallace lawyers of the future.

I am extremely interested in my potential to become a corporate lawyer and would love the opportunity to take part in the Byrne Wallace Trainee Solicitor Programme. Thank you for your time in reviewing my application and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Laura Finn