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**Re: Trainee Solicitor Programme 2019.**

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to apply for a Trainee Solicitor contract at Byrne Wallace Solicitors.

I am currently in employment as an Apprentice Solicitor at Stephen Walsh & Co. Solicitors and hope to continue my career in law at your firm. Although I have learned much during my time here, I wish to become a well-rounded solicitor with experience in a wide range of practice areas in order to best serve clients’ interests. At present I work on cases involving general and civil litigation, family law, employment law and judicial review matters. However, I wish to broaden my legal experience and I would like the opportunity as a trainee solicitor to work in the practice areas of Corporate Law, Real Estate and Litigation and Dispute Resolution at Byrne Wallace.

My work at Stephen Walsh Solicitors has taught me that the best way to learn is through practice and experience. I have the ability to bring initiative, commitment and drive to succeed in securing the best outcome for clients in relation to their cases. I understand the relationship of trust and confidence that is required between solicitor and client in order to work smoothly and successfully, and which I feel can best be achieved through hard work on their behalf. Under the supervision of the principal. I have progressed Circuit Court and High Court cases to litigation and settlement stages and have achieved successful results for the client and in turn the business itself.

I have also independently worked on progressing a Supreme Court appeal matter, which involved working in conjunction with Counsel, the respondents and the Supreme Court Office. The matter is due for hearing shortly before and will decide on the criminal liability of a managing officer in the context of a large commercial organisation.

Additionally, I have experience of working as in the hospitality industry as a bar person and waitress in establishments based in Laois, Limerick, Boston and Naas. My experience of working in the fast-paced bar and restaurant environment as well as that of working as a member of large teams of people for many years, has provided me with good interpersonal and communication skills in terms of being able to work together on a team to achieve results for the business.

I believe that Byrne Wallace would be the type of law firm that ensures that trainee receive excellent training and support in order to ultimately deliver an excellent service to clients of the firm. I would like to learn more about corporate law, especially at a time when Dublin is set to become a global hub for financial and technology services due to the impact of Brexit. I would be grateful to interview with your firm to discuss my suitability and application to the 2019/2020 Trainee programme at Byrne Wallace Solicitors.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

**Laura Leogue**