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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a final year Law Plus student at the University of Limerick with an acute interest in commercial law. I have greatly enjoyed my studies over the past four years and appreciate the broad range of subjects that I have been afforded the opportunity to read, from Alternative Dispute Resolution to Law and Business in China. I believe that this degree has given me a strong basis for pursuing a future career in Law. I will now outline how I believe that my experience, both professional and personal, qualifies me for a position with ByrneWallace.

Firstly, I believe that I can succeed in this position because I am a highly motivated individual and it satisfies me to gain new knowledge and combine this with hard work to deliver results in every project I undertake. Secondly, I believe that the values and ethos of ByrneWallace firmly align with my own and know that by dedicating myself to the role of a trainee in your organisation I can help to further your aims.

Furthermore, I have particular professional experience that I believe would really stand to me in this position. Firstly, as a Premiums Associate with Axa Partners. From this role I learnt how to think innovatively and respond creatively to changing circumstances. It also afforded me valuable experience of working within an international organisation. Most of my work was with clients and colleagues from Colombia. This exposure to another culture in a professional sense gave me a profound appreciation for the importance of diversity. A diverse workforce offers diverse opinions and viewpoints and enables us to be collaborative in the way we work. Additionally, my experience interning in the pensions department of A&L Goodbody taught me how to work to tight client deadlines and juggle many other administrative tasks, which I believe would also benefit me during this trainee position. This role as a legal intern also allowed me to develop my report-writing and proof-reading skills as well as fine tuning my attention to detail. While at A&L Goodbody, I was tasked with a three month long watching brief in the High Court which exposed me to litigation and made me a more resilient intern as I had to provide daily updates to our client, carefully considering the case as it was most relevant to them.

Working in a firm with an ethos centered around people and clients is a primary objective for me. In my research it was very apparent to me that ByrneWallace has a well-established commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility. While this might be considered obvious to have in place, putting it into practice can prove a challenge for some. Giving back to the community we live and work in is something that I consider to be fundamental to a responsible law firm.

To conclude, I am confident that ByrneWallace is the right firm for me to begin my professional career in law and I hope that the feeling is mutual.

Thank you and kind regards.