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Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to present an application for a training contract in ByrneWallace. Please find a copy of my CV accompanying this cover letter.

I am currently in my fourth and final year in UCD, studying Law with Economics. I received a 3.54 GPA from my first 2 years of university and my current GPA from 3rd year lies at 3.53. After graduation, I intend to apply to Blackhall Place.

If I were selected for your programme, I would be totally flexible, but nonetheless, you might like to take into account my particular experiences and interests. This past year I have worked as an intern in the Corporate department of a large law firm, a role which I believe was ideal given my respectable knowledge of Irish Company Law as illustrated by my grades in that area. During the course of my studies I have also developed a keen interest in Competition Law, Intellectual Property Law as well as Banking Law, which I am currently studying. Despite this, I recognise that ByrneWallace enjoys competency over an impressively varied range of practice areas, and therefore I would be tremendously grateful to be afforded the opportunity to work in any particular sector of the firm.

In addition to my legal skills which I have been allowed to develop both academically and clinically, I believe the Economic knowledge I have attained during my first 3 years of university will benefit me in any legal setting as a strong economic understanding is pivotal in any decision making process, commercial or otherwise

Socially, I am the current Defensive Captain of the UCD American Football Team and I have been active (and successful) on the fields of rugby, soccer and GAA down through the years. I believe that the team ethic of the sports field will be important asset when I enter the office environment.

I am a highly ambitious, driven individual, although easy-going and approachable on a personal level. I am a pragmatic, sensible decision maker. I feel that my colleagues would agree with this assessment.

I believe that a traineeship in ByrneWallace would provide an ideal platform for me to build my legal career. I would hope to further experience the application of academic learning to the corporate legal world, gain experience working in different practice areas, learn from mentors and colleagues and contribute actively to a quality work environment by bringing my enthusiasm and my strong work ethic to the table.

I hope you will see that I would hugely appreciate the opportunity to work as a Trainee with ByrneWallace.

Yours faithfully,
Lewis Barrett.