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Summer Internship Program

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am a final year BCL Law with Social Justice student at University College Dublin. I am writing to apply for Byrne Wallace's 2017 Summer Internship Program. An internship at Byrne Wallace would be extremely beneficial to me, not only because of the firm's reputation, but also because of the varied legal subjects provided, which would help me to increase my expertise across a wide field of industries and sectors. I was also impressed to see the dedication of the firm in promoting corporate responsibility and integrity, subjects that are hugely important to me.

I believe that I would be able to make a substantive contribution to the firm as a summer intern. My summer internship at Nasc, a legal centre in Cork which provided legal advice to immigrants and refugees, allowed me to strengthen my research and legal writing skills by composing client letters and engaging in detailed analysis of the relevant law. Although the cases were often complex, I thrived in such an environment, finding the search for solutions to difficult legal problems very intellectually stimulating. My position at Nasc also emphasised to me the necessity of deadlines and completing work in a timely manner.

My participation in the UCD Student Legal Services Negotiations Competition 2016 expanded my communication skills, especially in regards to my partner and the opposition teams, and also underlined the importance for me of anticipating issues that might affect clients well in advance. My Erasmus in Belgium not only helped me to look at the law from an international perspective, but also increased my adaptability to new situations and allowed me to hone my language skills by undertaking modules such as 'Law and Economics' through French.

An internship at Byrne Wallace would be the perfect fit for my interests and skills and would allow me to experience working in a diverse and fast-paced legal environment.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Lucy Heery