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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am interested in a summer internship position in your law firm. I am a Law and Political Science Student in Trinity College, Dublin, in my final year. I am keen to pursue a career in corporate law and I would be delighted at the opportunity to gain invaluable experience at one of the leading law firms in Ireland. I have heard of Byrne Wallace a number of times during my legal studies, due to their high reputation in the Irish legal profession, and also due to a number of friends who have completed internships in the firm speaking very highly of the atmosphere and professionalism of the firm. Furthermore, Byrne Wallace is a major player at the forefront of both Irish and international legal circles. This is evident by their role in large deals such as the merger of Cosmo Pharmaceuticals with Salix Pharmaceuticals, which I followed with great interest. I would relish the task of becoming part of such a high-profile and prestigious legal team. This is something I feel I could be an active contributor to, as I am hardworking, and enjoy completing tasks as part of a team.

I have a keen interest in the law, having completed three years of my studies, and I am on course to achieve a high grade in my final degree. I am aware that the differences between the academic side of law and working in practice can often be pronounced, and to this effect I feel my previous experience of working in the Immigrant Council of Ireland as a legal intern has provided me with an extremely helpful insight into this. I am comfortable working in cooperation with colleagues in a dynamic legal environment.

During my previous history of work, both paid employment and voluntary, I have acquired skills, experience and knowledge which I feel would be very useful to the team at Byrne Wallace. I have a high standard of teamwork, and I am unafraid to take ownership of my actions, as I have gained experience of being decisive over the course of my adult life thus far. I am sociable and feel that I get along very well with people generally, and would also be a good addition to any team for this reason. Finally, a number of positions that I have held have been ones that require a large volume of challenging work. This is something I have found extremely rewarding due to the fact that I have a very strong work ethic. For the above qualities, I believe that I would be an ideal addition to your team.

Please find my Curriculum Vitae attached with my application. Thank you for your consideration.

Kind Regards,

Mark McElroy