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To whom it may concern,

I would like to apply for a position on the Byrne Wallace Traineeship Programme 2015. I am a recent graduate of Trinity College Law.

Byrne Wallace’s progressive attitude towards technology, client approach and quality of work are only a few of the unique qualities that attract me to your firm. As one of Ireland's leading law firms, Byrne Wallace's attitude towards Corporate Social Responsibility, wealth of experience and industry knowledge sets it apart from it's competitors. The traineeship programme offered is, in my opinion, the best in the country. Byrne Wallace nurtures and encourages all it’s trainees, providing them with the opportunity to work within a core department in the firm, experiencing first hand the role and responsibilities of a Solicitor. This greatly appeals to me as I have found through my legal internships that I excel when I am trusted with a high level of responsibility. I believe that I react well to pressure and always achieve the best results in these type of scenarios.

I am determined, ambitious, versatile and extremely motivated. I believe these key attributes are demonstrated by the following achievements-

**Work Achievements**

* Last September I completed an internship with McGrath McGrane Solicitors. I found the work to be extremely exhilarating and worthwhile. I was entrusted with the task of researching the law in relation to potential clients, which determined if the firm decided to proceed with the case. The Managing Partners praised my research and commended my ability to provide accurate and concise information.
* I have worked in many restaurants in both Ireland and New York. At 21 years of age, I was promoted to ‘Floor Supervisor’ in a 400 capacity restaurant in the heart of Manhattan.

**Academic Achievements**

* I recently graduated from Trinity College Law with a 2.1 degree.
* I obtained 540 points in the Leaving Certificate 2011.
* I have also been awarded numerous awards for excellence throughout my academic career. I have a particular love of English, which is something that has remained throughout my college life.

**Life Achievements**

* In September 2014, I completed the ‘Dublin Mini Marathon,’ raising €3,000 for charity in the process. I have also engaged within numerous volunteering roles with organisations such as the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.
* At 16, I was the Director of the ‘Goal Aid’ campaign in March 2008, raising €5,000 for the charity.

I believe that these achievements accentuate the type of person I am. An traineeship with Byrne Wallace would be an incredible opportunity. I am confident that with such a revered programme, providing trainees with the highest quality training, alongside access to a wide realm of legal areas, would greatly further my strong desire to become a qualified solicitor within your firm.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Murphy