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Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Mark Oslizlok and I am writing to you to apply for a position in your Trainee Development Programme. I am in my final year of Business and Law in UCD and currently hold a high second class honours. Having regard to my recent results, there is a strong likelihood that I will graduate with a First Class Honours.

A career in Corporate Law is something that I have considered throughout my second and third level education and was a primary factor in choosing my current degree. Having a dual Business and Law degree behind me is something I hope to be hugely advantageous in pursuing a career in Corporate Law. In the pursuance of excellence in legal advice it is vital, not only to have an excellent understanding of the relevant law, but also, to fully understand the area of business which that law governs. My degree has allowed me to gain an in depth understanding of the key areas of business, with Accounting, Economics, Maths and Analytics being areas in which I have excelled. Coupled with this is my passion for Law and, more importantly, its practical application in the real world. This is something in which I gained a great insight into during my internship at *Corrigan and Corrigan Solicitors*, and is an experience that has confirmed my initial drive to pursue a career in law.

Having worked in a variety of different settings, involving varying degrees of professionalism, as well as having studied both home and abroad, I feel I have developed a competence in a wide range of social and professional environments. In terms of client relationships, this is something I know will stand to me as I pursue my legal career.

Being one of the largest and most dynamic commercial law firms in Ireland makes Byrne Wallace a massively attractive firm in which to begin my legal career. The consistency of accolades awarded to the firm, such as the recent *AIB Private Banking Irish Law Awards- 'Law Firm of the Year 2016'*, coupled with their clear leadership in areas such as Employment Law, attest to my statement above. The exposure I would gain to such large and significant business is a massive pull factor for me and is something very unique to training in a firm as large and accomplished as Byrne Wallace.

The structure of the training programme itself appears to be extremely comprehensive. Flexibility in choosing a future career path is something which I hold to be very important. The opportunity to rotate between the main areas of practice under the guidance of some of the top lawyers in Irish Corporate Law, I feel, would give me the best and most varied insight into the career path best suited to me.

A traineeship at Byrne Wallace would be the perfect start to my legal career and is something that I would be delighted to have the opportunity to do. I thank you in advance for reviewing my application and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,
Mark Oslizlok

