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To whom it may concern,

I would like to be considered for a position as trainee with your firm.

I am hardworking, conscientious, enthusiastic, and reliable.

I was born in Dublin and lived there until I was three years of age, when I moved to Co. Kerry with my parents and two sisters. I have a large extended family in Kildare, so travelling from Kerry to Kildare on a monthly basis became a norm. I am fortunate to have the experience of a large extended family and negotiating the games to play, movies to watch etc. was a normal part of my childhood. I also learned to settle down and be patient for the 5 hour drive that it was in those days.

Growing up, I took part in music lessons, swimming lessons and stage school. The water safety lessons and violin lessons were a great grounding in encouraging me to persevere until I attained my goals. Indeed, doing Survival and Rescue in the Wild Atlantic on many wet and windy days would test anybody's mettle. Attending stage school also provided me with the basic training for public speaking and has stood to me as I complete my degree.

I grew up in a Gaeltacht area and attended Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne where we carried out our subjects through the Irish language. While attending primary school in Cloghane, I enjoyed a small class of 6 pupils. I made the transition to secondary school seamlessly and adapted to having 90 peers in my year. I loved my time in secondary school and made many friends in Dingle which is the closest large town to me. I studied 8 subjects for my leaving cert at higher level, and achieved honours in all 8.

I enjoyed growing up by the coast and was privileged to have an extremely happy childhood in a wonderful small community. As a struggling community, Cloghane in West Kerry has seen a dramatic population decrease. This has resulted in a strong sense of caring about each other and our community. There is no shortage of assistance in times of need. Indeed, there is a very strong sense of responsibility to each other and to the survival of our village. This has had a very strong influence on my attitude to other people. I am very pro helping those in need and would have a strong interest in the homeless in particular. Possibly because I would always have been in a position to offer some assistance, even if it was only a few coins as I passed them in the streets of Tralee.

I was very happy to work in a caring capacity for my work experience, both with the disadvantaged children in Dublin and in visiting the elderly patients in Dingle Hospital.

I initially chose a legal degree because it matched well with the subjects I excelled in, particularly English in which I achieved an A at higher level. My university degree was a very important choice for me and as I’ve grown over the past 3 years in college, I love law and have decided that this is the future that I want. I am particularly interested in Property Law, Contract Law and Employment Law. Next semester, I will study Banking Law and am eager to explore and learn about it.

I am really hopeful that I will gain a placement in a traineeship to bring me to the next level of my career. I will be a conscientious, enthusiastic, personable and loyal employee.

I would be very grateful to be considered.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Maunsell.