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**RE:** Internship 2016

Dear Head of Recruitment,

I would be enormously keen to be given the opportunity to intern at your firm this summer. Having interned in a commercial firm for three months last summer, I have a huge interest in commercial law, particularly in litigation and corporate law, both disciplines that Byrne Wallace has a reputable name for. Having been in a mid-sized firm last summer, I was able to truly appreciate the level of involvement an intern can receive. Byrne Wallace appeals to me far more than any ‘big five’ firms, as I know that given the vast amount of interns they take each year, there is not a great amount of responsibility delegated to interns who remain something of a number.

Another reason I would enjoy the programme is because of the system whereby an intern is immersed in one department for the duration of their stay, as opposed to being rotated around departments, which within a four week period could lead to a superficial treatment of the work in that department.

Being in America for the year, I have also had the opportunity of studying multiple modules that have a strong focus on international law and transactions, an area I am becoming increasingly interested in, and I feel they could be useful to some of the work Byrne Wallace does. I am further attracted to the rotation system of the trainee programme and the constant interaction with a partner, which I hope would facilitate choosing an area of practice that I am best suited to. My primary goal would be to gain entry to the trainee programme, and I would endeavour to achieve this in all facets of my work.

I appreciate your consideration.

Kind Regards,

Matthew Flanagan.