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To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to apply for a traineeship in ByrneWallace, beginning in 2019. I am a final year Law with History (BCL) student at University College Dublin.

In the past number of months, I read about ByrneWallace on a number of occasions and became aware of the prominent position it holds in the Irish legal landscape, as well as its innovative and progressive approach to law. I subsequently consulted the website and found that it offered an excellent insight into the work of a trainee in the firm. I was very impressed by the information and upon further research, I found that the diverse array of business areas that ByrneWallace is engaged in, as well as the culture of the company itself, greatly appeal to me.

I’m particularly drawn to the fact that the ByrneWallace practice encompasses a myriad of areas I have a strong interest in such as Tax, Intellectual Property and EU Competition Law. I also feel that the blend of more traditional practice areas, such as Construction, with the rapidly developing areas of Data Protection and Technology would provide for varied and engaging work.

In terms of work experience that would be relevant to the role, I volunteered with Glasnevin Cemetery Trust for two years giving historical tours of the site and now I’m employed to give tours there on weekends. It has helped me develop my public speaking, presentation and customer service skills while allowing me to interact with a vast amount of people from all over the world. I have also undertaken an internship in Deloitte where I was fully immersed in a commercial environment. During the internship I gained specific knowledge about tax law while also enhancing broader skills such as client interaction and effective research.

In my free time, I occupy myself with a plethora of extra-curricular activities. I participate in University societies such as the Law Society, Young Fine Gael and the Student Legal Service. Outside of the University setting I am a member of European Movement Ireland and the Irish Georgian Society to further my additional interests of European affairs, politics and architecture.

To summarise, I feel I would be a suitable candidate for a traineeship in ByrneWallace and would greatly enjoy working for the firm.

Thank you for considering my application and I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours Sincerely,

Michael Devitt