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Byrne Wallace  
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Dear Ms Fox,

I would like to apply for the opportunity to participate in your Summer Internship Programme. I am a final year Bachelor of Civil Law student at University College Dublin. My current GPA is 3.63 and I expect to graduate this year with a 2:1 degree. I enclose a copy of my CV for your attention.

I believe that I am a strong candidate for your summer internship programme. I have a keen interest in commercial law, business and finance and have an extremely strong work ethic. I am an energetic and focused individual who has the skills and character to excel at Byrne Wallace. I possess excellent written and oral communication skills acquired through extensive college presentations, assignments, advocacy and work experience. Such skills have recently been recognised when because of my engaging personality I was selected out of 700 applications for the purpose of representing my university as a student caller for the UCD Foundation. I enjoy collaborating with others in order to ensure the optimal outcome for a client, regularly demonstrating this through many of my team orientated work experiences. I have experience working abroad and at home and I believe that this has helped shape me into a well -rounded individual who would fit in well with the collegial environment harboured by Byrne Wallace.

Having researched your firm, my motivation to apply to become your summer intern, stems from the type of legal expertise that Byrne Wallace provides. Experience in an award winning top commercial law firm like Byrne Wallace, would enhance my knowledge of the banking and financial world which would stand to me in pursuing a legal career as a commercial lawyer. I have a desire to collaborate with leaders at the forefront of their industries in order to solve complex legal problems and devise practical and innovative solutions as part of a mutually supportive team. I hope to gain a further insight into the daily life of trainees, solicitors and partners whilst receiving exceptional on the job training.

I am drawn to the progressive and co-operative culture of the firm. During the course of my legal studies I developed a keen interest in Intellectual Property Law. Byrne Wallace's foothold in emerging niche areas of the law like this is an extremely attractive feature of the firm. I am aware that the firm offers advice on all aspects of IP law in key innovative sectors like technology and digital media. This opportunity would allow me to contribute and gain exposure to extremely high profile clients and cases but also to specialist areas of the law such as IP.

Lastly, it is my goal to become the next generation partner that will continue to grow and drive the business into the future. I will demonstrate my drive and determination to succeed if presented with the opportunity by your firm. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, Byrne Wallace, for taking the time to read my application and that you will consider me for a place on this year's summer internship programme. I am available at any time should you wish to further discuss my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Niall Curran