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**Re Internship Application**

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would like to put forward my name for Byrne Wallace’s internship programme.

I am currently undertaking my final year BCL Degree in University College Dublin. I find law to be intellectually challenging and stimulating. There is no aspect of life or society which is not impacted by law to one degree or another, with the result that there is endless diversity in the direction in which a career in law might take one. Having researched the firm, its core values and practice areas, I believe that Byrne Wallace would be an ideal place to develop my skill set, and to train in a highly skilled team and ultimately practise as a commercial solicitor.

As per my attached CV, I have worked in Taylor Wessing LLP and Ronan Daly Jermyn. The internship in Taylor Wessing gave me the opportunity, as part of a team, to showcase the excellent communication skills I have developed as it was essential to make clear, well-informed points and deliver them with confidence in order to make an impression. Also, being the only intern from outside the UK involved in that particular programme, and quickly adapting to work life in London, demonstrated my ability to integrate well into any workplace and to build a rapport with both my superiors and my fellow interns. This experience, as well as that in Ronan Daly Jermyn, assured me that I am completely invested in pursuing a career in law. These experiences also proved to me my ability to quickly understand and digest instruction and information while also being capable of taking initiative when necessary.

Through my commitment and dedication to music and orchestras throughout the years, I have become more than capable of working independently with a view to being able to contribute my best to a team. Also, having completed all 10 grades in Speech and Drama, I have exceptional oratory skills and am a very clear and confident speaker. In addition, through receiving both my National Beach Lifeguard and National Pool Lifeguard awards, I appreciate that reward comes from persevering through difficult tasks in order to achieve my goals.

For me, the appeal of your firm is endless. Byrne Wallace consistently ranks as one of the leading law firms in Ireland, working with broad range of clients, encompassing both national and international markets. Byrne Wallace’s internship programme stands out as being focused on education and professional and personal development. A partner-led internship with Byrne Wallace would give me the opportunity to work on exciting and challenging cases for the firm's many high profile clients while being part of an extremely skilled and highly efficient team. Given my excellent communication and interpersonal skills as well as my ability to produce clear and precise work under pressure, I believe I would excel in Byrne Wallace’s working environment.

I hope that you find me to be a suitable candidate for your internship programme and I thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Niamh Brennan.