**Cover Letter**

Dear sir/madam,

I am writing to apply for the Trainee Solicitor Programme with ByrneWallace. This cover letter will explain why I wish to work with ByrneWallace and why I am suited to the firm.

To begin with I am attracted to the approach the firm takes to legal training. I am very appreciative that each individual department deals with a wide range of issues and is not overly specialised in any one particular area. As I do not believe being pigeonholed early in my legal career will be the best thing for my legal development. And I would rather a broader general and holistic approach to engaging with the law while I am training. I am attracted to ByrneWallace as I believe that the firm will give me not only a wide encompassing but also excellent legal training which will best inform me of which area of law that I should specialise in.

The second reason I am attracted to ByrneWallace open plan setting of the firm. From reading the trainee testimonies an important thing I noticed was that many praised the sense of collegiality they got from the firm. With many crediting part of this collegiality to the open workspace. The biggest thing he noticed was the collegiality of the firm and how everybody got on together. As I am quite a sociable and approachable person, it is important to me that the firm I work in also has these traits. I also believe that such an atmosphere encourages better cooperation and productivity. Also, I would like to feel comfortable in approaching anyone to help me resolve an issue. The fact that ByrneWallace not only has but encourages this type of environment through its office design is quite attractive to me.

The third reason I am attracted to ByrneWallace is your CSR, in particular the work placement you do with St John of Gods. As a person who has a sister who has autism and attends St John of God, I cannot stress enough of how working helps people with learning disabilities with their personal development and I am grateful that ByrneWallace is helping in this regard. I would immensely proud to work for a firm that helps (especially in a tangible manner) people with learning difficulties.

As to why I am suited for ByrneWallace. I believe that I will fit well with the culture of the firm due to the fact that I am not only well versed in law but other areas of life such as business politics music and sports, I strive to enhance the best solutions to problems and I am very sociable and approachable. My various personal experiences has produced a very well-rounded individual who is passionate about the law and will hit the ground running in any team.

I look forward to hearing back from you and do hope that I am invited to an interview to further discuss my suitability for the role.

Kind Regards

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