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**Re: Byrne Wallace Trainee Solicitor Application**

To whom it may concern,

My name is Paul Breslin and I write to you in respect of the Byrne Wallace Trainee Solicitor Programme. For your consideration, I set out below a brief history of my recent education and work experience.

My undergraduate years were spent at University College Dublin where I secured a 2:1 honours Bachelor of Arts (International) degree in Classical Studies and English. My undergraduate degree also included a year of study abroad at San Jose State University, California, USA.

In May 2013, I completed a Postgraduate Diploma in Law at Dublin Institute of Technology and achieved a 2:1 honours qualification. I spent the month of June 2013 as an Intern at A&L Goodbody, after which I attended Independent College, Dawson Street, Dublin where I studied for the FE-1 Examinations. I successfully passed all eight of these exams by November 2014.

In January 2015 I began working as a Legal Executive at Ryan & Ryan Solicitors in Clondalkin, Dublin. This position allowed me to become better acquainted with the law in practice while also providing me with valuable experience in dealing directly with clients and other parties.

I began working as a Project Assistant in the Real Estate Department at McCann FitzGerald in March 2015. This position enabled me to work alongside solicitors operating at the highest level nationally and has given me exposure to quality legal work.

In June 2015 I completed a Vacation Scheme at Clyde & Co. in London, England. My time in the firm’s Employment Department allowed me to utilise the practical skills I have acquired while also permitting me to develop my legal capabilities by working in one of the leading international law firms.

As of September 2015 I have been working as a Trainee Solicitor at Gartlan Furey Solicitors. My duties in this role include working alongside the firm’s solicitors on a range of legal issues, liaising with various law firms as part of a file recall exercise and performing clerking duties on behalf of the firm.

I am very interested in working as a Trainee Solicitor at Byrne Wallace. The firm’s focus on delivering the highest quality service to its clients, as well as developing the skills of its employees, are important factors in my decision to make this application. I believe I understand what is required for this role and I am confident that I can meet and exceed these requirements and expectations.

In closing, I am available to attend at interview for the role of Trainee Solicitor and I look forward to hearing from you in this regard at your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

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