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Re: Trainee Solicitor Programme 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a final year Bachelor of Civil Law student from the University of Galway and I am seeking to apply for the Trainee Solicitor Programme in your firm. It would be an honour to be given the opportunity to work alongside leading legal experts in your prestigious firm and I believe that I have the capabilities and experience necessary to excel in this role.

Throughout my academic career I have demonstrated a commitment to achieving academic excellence and a motivation to capitalise on every opportunity presented to me. During my third year, I was privileged to receive a bursary to participate in a Judicial Internship in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. During my Judicial Internship, I navigated complex legal issues involving businesses and corporations in the areas of intellectual property, data protection, commercial contracts, corporate crime and corporate litigation.

My experience in this role has shown me the intricacies of business, allowing me to develop a stronger sense of commercial awareness. I worked extensively on a 'multi-district litigation' which centralised a class action that was occurring across the United States into the state of Pennsylvania that surrounded an alleged breach of data protection legislation. This knowledge of United States law is transferable to a career in Irish corporate law as I recognise that Ireland's innovative regulatory and corporate landscape continues to make the country an attractive business destination for U.S. companies and investors. In that regard, I particularly admire ByrneWallace's work in advising U.S. companies such as Sceptre Hospitality Resources. I believe that my commercial cognisance will benefit me in adapting to and prospering in commercial law at ByrneWallace LLP.

My experience working in Damien Tansey Solicitors LLP has inspired me to pursue a career with an emphasis on employment, healthcare and child care law— of which I am aware your firm specialises in. In this role, I have managed client interactions first-hand, having independently directed consultations. In these consultations, I adapted my line of questioning to the issue at hand in order to develop a comprehensive document that was relevant and insightful for the legal redress being sought. I have proven my aptitude for crafting documents of a high calibre and my work was used to draft High Court, Circuit Court and District Court documents. My success in this firm has demonstrated my passion for legal research and writing and accordingly, I wish to apply same to the more diverse variety of legal areas that working as a Trainee Solicitor in ByrneWallace LLP has to offer.

Amongst the many reasons for my interest in working with ByrneWallace LLP is the opportunity to work with leading practitioners in a full service law firm which would allow me to considerably expand my legal and business acumen. In particular, I am drawn to the development programme which will provide support, training and guidance to achieve my career progression goals. Furthermore, I am aware that ByrneWallace is the only top ten law firm in Ireland with Lexcel accreditation. I am drawn to the opportunity to play a vital role in providing excellence in practice management and client service to ByrneWallace's clients.

In return, I believe that my experience and skills would make me an ideal candidate for the position of a Trainee Solicitor. I am a dedicated and hardworking individual with a passion for legal research and writing. Overall, I have a positive attitude and an eagerness to learn. I would be grateful for the opportunity to take part in such a renowned programme.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Petrina Sheridan