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Beth Onslow

HR Generalist

ByrneWallace

88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2

**Dear Beth Onslow:**

My interest in ByrneWallace was sparked after the 2018 trainee recruitment open day on Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of October where I had the opportunity to speak to a number of partners and trainees and hear about the ethos of the company. Following the presentation given by Fergul Brennon and two trainees, I really began to see the firm as an environment in which I would appreciate the opportunity to learn and develop my skills, and embark on my career as a solicitor. Your approach to the trainee program as an investment in the future, both for the interns themselves and for the firm is particularly attractive. The dedication to involving interns in real work from the beginning and integrating them as part of a team in an open floor office space provides an ideal setting to thrive in my legal career while also contributing substantively to the firm. The collaborative approach of the firm is extremely appealing in the sense that partners, trainees and interns work alongside each other and I feel that I would benefit from this distinct method of learning due to its interactive nature. Another element of ByrneWallace that I am drawn to, is how it is rapidly expanding in a relatively short time and particularly in an international context, with heavy involvement in Brexit and even hosting a seminar in Manchester exploring trading opportunities.

Coming straight out of college with a strong drive to get started on my career I believe that I would be an excellent candidate for ByrneWallace. I have exceptional organizational and skills in particular dealing with documents and files, gained through my prior work experience outlined in my CV. I also have excellent communication and interpersonal skills developed through my work in a variety of different styles of customer service roles. Through my experience in Stratis Consulting and Resolve Ireland I have become especially interested and competent at conflict resolution and dealing with people in different scenarios. Finally I am a committed team player comfortable working and collaborating within a particular department or practice group, as evidenced from my large scale group travel and in a social context, as demonstrated through my participation in school and club rugby.

I would really appreciate an opportunity to meet in person to discuss the possibility of joining your team as a trainee and in that context I look forward to hearing from you. A copy of my CV is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Philip McCarthy