REBECCA BARNES

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Rebecca Barnes and I am a second-year Masters in Common Law Student at University College Dublin. I am also a History and Classics graduate, as of 2020. I am writing to you to express my interest in the Trainee programme conducted by your firm. I graduate from my Masters programme at the end of this academic year and would be hoping to start a traineeship with you, should my application be successful, upon completion of the FE-1 exams in 2023.

One of the reasons that I was drawn to your firm because of the diverse practice areas you operate in. I think that this would make for an incredibly stimulating working environment. While I have yet to find an area of law that I do not enjoy studying, my particular interests are in Commercial Contract, Litigation and Dispute Resolution and Intellectual Property. The hands-on learning experience and close contact with Partners which is shown as being very central to your traineeship is another reason why I am drawn to Byrne Wallace LLP. From the research I have done into where I would like my career to take me, you firm in particular has stood out and appealed to me because of this ethos of mentorship.

I pride myself on being a diligent, tenacious and motivated worker. These are qualities of mine that I think would serve me well as a trainee in Byrne Wallace LLP. I demonstrated an understanding of the benefits of hard work throughout my years at university, where I have seen a steady and consistent incline in my academic results and I am currently set to achieve an exceptionally strong 2:1, with a current GPA of 3.67, in my Masters in Common Law. This work ethic is an attribute which I bring to all that I do. Given the opportunity to work for you, I think I would become an asset to your firm.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Barnes