Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you today to express my interest in your internship programme.

I would like to preface this letter that I am acutely aware that many firms would notice that although I graduated with a second-class honours in my degree in Law and Accounting I fell short of a 2:1 grade which is the majority requirement for most firms and that this is usually the stage where my application would be disregarded to the bottom of the pile, However, I implore you to read on anyway.

My journey in UL was not an easy one, so although I fell short in my degree by a very short margin ( In fact I obtained a 2:1 in my degree in my final year ), I believe I demonstrate a number of skills that many of your applicants would not. I believe myself to be a very a strong, determined and resilient young woman who has overcome many obstacles along the way that show that I would be an asset to any firm and that I will get the job done no matter what. My Course Director Dr John Heneghan can attest to this fact and I have attached his letter of reference for your convenience.

I have a keen interest in law ever since I first started researching careers in secondary school. I am very much a people person and have been very actively involved in my community and many different volunteer and fundraising organisations since a young age. Due to this I have a great interest in helping people. This was reinforced during my 9 month co-operative work placement in Holmes O’Malley Sexton LLP where I worked in the Plaintiff Litigation Department. I loved how personal this department was and getting to speak with different individuals be it clients, solicitors, partners or barristers on a daily basis I gained very valuable experience with this firm.

I would love to be able to gain further experience in different areas of law and to expand my legal knowledge as a whole. I believe your firm to be the perfect place for me to do so.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Rebekah Crean.



Date: June 20th, 2023 Reference for Rebekah Crean,

Letter of Reference

I have been acquainted with Rebekah Crean for a number of years here at the University of Limerick where she attended as a student on our Law and Accounting programme (2019 to 2023) and in this context, I am delighted to forward an academic and personal reference on her behalf.

Rebekah was a student in my Principles of Accounting module in her first year, and in her 4th year, she was a student in my Corporate Transparency and Business Ethics module. In all of these classes she performed excellently and will graduate with an honours degree in August 2023.

Rebekah was someone I regularly called upon in my Ethics class and I could count on her common sense and good judgment. She possesses an eye for detail and for class assignments she never missed a deadline. Her classroom engagement made it evident that she is a team player. Rebekah also demonstrated strong leadership in galvanising group responses in classroom tutorials. With these attributes.

She had an excellent final year and responded well to the return to the classroom from the COVID induced absence of two years. While falling short of the 2.1 award, her average for the final year of 2.94 reflects here penchant for hard work and her ability to overcome adversity. I can attest to this as I engaged with her at the time of her uncle’s passing due to a car crash and other family illnesses that followed in quick succession.

In highlighting Rebekah’s integrity and character and her strong support from her family I wholeheartedly encourage you to consider her for employment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 086-8067427 here in the Kemmy Business School should you require further information.

Sincerely,

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