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Dear Recruitment Team,

**RE: Trainee Solicitor Programme 2025**

My name is Sandra Shogbaike, and I am applying for the trainee solicitor programme 2025 at ByrneWallace LLP. I am currently studying for my last four FE1 exams.

I recently completed my LLM General at the University of Galway with First Class Honours. The experience from the LLM has equipped me with strong organisational skills and the ability to support legal professionals with their daily research tasks effectively. I am a person who thrives under pressure and excels in multitasking, and I am known for my enthusiasm and teamwork. My previous roles as a legal secretary and legal intern have provided me with invaluable experience in navigating the legal system. These experiences, detailed in my CV, have prepared me to excel in a fast-paced environment. I am excited about the prospect of further developing these skills at ByrneWallace LLP.

I am interested in completing my traineeship with ByrneWallace LLP due to the firm's specialisation in advising domestic and international clients on various commercial issues. I am also interested in ByrneWallace LLP because the firm has earned a strong reputation for handling complex mandates, providing strategic advice and representing clients in high-value litigation. Based on my research, ByrneWallace LLP is known for providing strong support for their trainees and offering consistent feedback, which I believe would greatly contribute to my professional and personal development. I aspire to become a proficient solicitor, and I am confident that ByrneWallace LLP’s training program will help me realise this goal.

ByrneWallace LLP should select me for a solicitor trainee position due to my resilience, strong communication skills, motivation, proactive nature, and ability to build relationships effectively. These qualities were displayed during my preparation for the Vis Moot Competition, as detailed in my CV. One notable instance was when the Vis Moot team exceeded the page limit by 20 pages while completing the second memorandum for the competition. This prompted us to meticulously review and edit the content to adhere to the page limit, requiring effective negotiation and careful consideration of the memorandum's overall coherence.

I appreciate the time you have taken to consider my application. I am looking forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Sandra Shogbaike