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Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Saoirse Browne and I am writing this letter in support of my application to Byrne Wallace’s 2018 Summer Intern Programme. I believe I am a great candidate for this position due to my demonstrated academic ability, my hardworking nature evidenced in my previous employment and my keen interest in corporate law.

This year my greatest achievement, both academic and non-academic, has been my ongoing year of study abroad at Boston College. The selection process for this opportunity was competitive, based both on academic results and personal statements. Therefore I was very proud to be one of three Maynooth University students chosen to study at Boston College. Since I've been here I have taken multiple classes at Boston College Law School which I believe has deepened my global legal awareness and my legal skills in general. My favourite class so far has been immigration law. While I was taking this class President Trump rescinded DACA, resulting in harsh consequences to thousands of immigrants. The debates and discussions we had in class surrounding this policy reaffirmed for me my passion for law. In the coming months I am looking to become actively involved in activism to protect and support the immigrants affected by this administration’s policies.

I want to work for Byrne Wallace due to the firm’s prestige in the legal sphere and the diverse areas of practice you offer. The firm’s competence in ‘child care law’ particularly caught my eye as it is a unique area of practice. This semester I’m taking a class called ‘education law and policy’ which has stimulated my interest in the effects of legal policy upon children. The firm’s Brexit team also interests me due to my exposure to the legal consequences of the leave vote when I worked for AIB.

I believe I’m a good fit for this position as I have strong teamwork and interpersonal skills. When I worked for Primark I was regularly given tasks to complete with other team members within a set deadline. This taught me efficiency and time management. In my job for AIB I built strong customer relationships by utilizing my genuine friendliness and reliability as a professional. I also have a strong written ability, as evidenced by the two awards I won for my English results in Maynooth. It would be extremely beneficial for me to gain experience within a top-tier legal firm, both for my own development and for motivation in continuing my studies. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully,

Saoirse Browne.