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To whom it may concern,

I write to apply for an internship at ByrneWallace. I am a third year law student at Trinity College Dublin. I am presently on an exchange programme with Emory University in the USA. The exchange finishes in May 2019. I believe that my academic achievements, my previous practical experience, and my linguistic skills make me an asset to your firm.

My academic achievements have sharpened my ability to write persuasively and research effectively, as well as heightening my motivation to work hard and excel in any task I am given. I have immersed myself in the study of the law. In June 2018, I achieved the only First Class Honours grade in my law class. As a result of my exam results and first place ranking, I was awarded the Round Hall Law School Prize and the Trinity First Class Calendar Book Prize. I am keen to continue to learn and to develop my legal skills, and I believe that ByrneWallace is the perfect place to do so.

I have relished any opportunity I have been given to expand my experience in the substantive practice of the law. My time working in Caldwell and Robinson Solicitors in my hometown in 2016 gave me the opportunity to gain significant practical experience across a broad spectrum of legal fields, whilst working with their large international client base. On account of my work with the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers' Foundation, I have been given the unique opportunity to work directly with attorneys, having a direct impact on clients' lives. The training I have received through working with the International Refugee Assistance Project, and in particular working with interpreters, has increased my awareness of the importance of professional working relationships. Exposure to the inner workings of ByrneWallace would provide me with an unparalleled experience into the substantive practice of law in Ireland.

As ByrneWallace is an international firm, I believe my linguistic skills would stand me in good stead were I fortunate enough to intern at your firm. I have a flair for languages, and have received numerous awards and scholarships for my proficiency in Irish and Spanish. I also speak a little Italian and Portuguese. My involvement with Emory's Model United Nations team, and the International Law, Negotiations, and Mediation courses I am taking in the US this year, have cemented my interest in international legal affairs and dispute resolution. I aspire to an international career in which I can utilise my linguistic skills, thus it is particularly of interest to me that ByrneWallace has a large international client base, and an office in New York.

I am genuinely excited at the prospect of working with ByrneWallace. I very much look forward to having an opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to your firm. I believe I have a valuable contribution to make as an intern for ByrneWallace, and I hope you will consider me for this position.

Yours Faithfully,

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