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8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Re: Trainee Recruitment 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to apply for the ByrneWallace LLP Trainee Solicitor Programme 2022. I graduated from Law (BCL) in UCD in 2018 with a II.I. I completed my FE-1's in three sittings over the course of 2019-2020. In 2020 I began an LLM in Trinity College Dublin in Intellectual Property and Information Technology Law. I am due to formally graduate this November 2021, achieving first class honours in my dissertation and graduating with an overall II.I (69%). I am currently employed in a one year long Pan European Seal Traineeship with the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), working within the Digital Transformation Department.

I would like to apply for the Trainee Solicitor Programme in ByrneWallace LLP for numerous reasons. While I have a particular interest in the area of Intellectual Property law and General Data Protection law, I am keenly interested in all significant areas of Irish law. I believe that working in a firm like ByrneWallace LLP, I would gain exposure to a wide variety of practice areas and a diverse client base. Due to ByrneWallace LLP becoming one of the fastest growing Irish law firms, the opportunity to work with a variety of both public and private Irish businesses and cliental, and international clients is immensely attractive to me. I believe that this would culminate in a very enriching and rounded traineeship. Further, I am particularly impressed with the firms commitment to both the growth and development of their staff. These standpoints initially attracted me to apply to the firms Summer Internship Programme in 2020. The strong learning, collegiate and dedicated trainee development culture make the firm particularly unique. While I was unfortunately unlucky due to the outbreak of Covid-19, to not have had the opportunity to complete the Summer Internship Programme upon being selected, I have continuously encountered and read wonderful reports about the culture of the firm, the quality of the work and the utmost expert and professional services offered in ByrneWallace LLP.

I believe that I can offer a great deal to ByrneWallace LLP, I am certain that my dedicated nature and strong initiative would be fostered should I be given an opportunity to be selected as a Trainee. I have an unwavering interest in all aspects of Irish law and indeed international law, I am not afraid to be professionally challenged through varied and complex tasks. I am academically driven, as evidenced through my education history, I am bright and conscientious. I enjoy focused and detail orientated work. I also believe myself to be ambitious in my career path, and want to contribute my utmost best ability to any given task, with the ultimate goal of career progression. I extol and practise the values of honesty, collaboration and dedication in everything that I do.

I hope that my enthusiasm for ByrneWallace LLP and for a career in law shines through within this application.

Kind regards, Sarah Flanagan.