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**Summer Internship Programme**

Dear Ms. Fox,

My name is Tess Flannery and I am a fourth year Business and Law (BBL) student attending University College Dublin. I wish to apply for the 2015 Trainee Programme.

As one of Ireland’s leading law firms, Byrne Wallace has long had the reputation of providing the highest quality legal advice and representation to its clients both domestic and international. From my studies in business and law and the experience gained from participation in internship programmes, I have developed a keen interest in corporate law, notably in employment and intellectual property law. I am aware that Byrne Wallace has expertise in these areas, achieved by instilling a culture driven by efficiency, innovation and excellence. I wish to gain exposure to a variety of legal disciplines practised by Byrne Wallace lawyers and to gain an insight into the complexities of real transactions. For these reasons, I wish to apply for the 2015 Trainee programme.

Throughout my years of study at University College Dublin, I have acquired a deep interest and understanding of the law, its developments and complexities. This has been the source of encouragement in pursuing a career in law. I find my study to be rewarding as the law so fundamentally shapes our society. I desire to work in an environment that is continuously challenging and rewarding. I believe part of this is due to the necessity and versatility of law; solicitors work to serve the law and the community as a whole and adapt to the needs of society. I am interested in working with people and negotiating these real problems. Byrne Wallace has long had the reputation of achieving as such.

As mentioned, I have a particular interest in corporate law. Your contributions to employment and intellectual property law are regularly commended by Chambers & Partners (Europe), and is reflected in the impressive Byrne Wallace client base. The opportunity your traineeship programme offers to work alongside such a celebrated team is an invaluable one, and I would be honoured to become a part of this team.

I am a dedicated and hard-working student. I have maintained a 2:1 throughout my four years showing consistency in my studies. I work very well independently but have also gained much experience in my business studies in working with teams to produce presentations, projects and debates. This has helped me to develop my communication and cooperation skills and the ability to present comprehensive and persuasive arguments. Furthermore, my participation in extra-curricular programmes such as the advocacy training seminar with Stetson University has inspired my interest in case analysis and litigation.

I understand that to work at Byrne Wallace will be very challenging. However, I believe I have the aptitude to cope with such demands.

I look forward to hearing from you when convenient.

Yours Sincerely,

Tess Flannery