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Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Theriz Von Mag-aso and I am a recent graduate from the University College of Dublin with a Masters in Common Law. Currently, I am interning at a solicitors firm and preparing to sit the FE-1 examinations. I have developed a range of skills in my recent role as intern at Dillon and Co Solicitors. In particular, I have been able to engage well with a variety of clients which has instilled a deeper sense of commercial awareness in me. I would like to however, gain further insight and experience in the legal practice and so I am applying to Byrne Wallace's Trainee Solicitor Programme.

I am particularly interested in Byrne Wallace because after attending the Trainee Insight Webinar I have come to admire the culture of the firm as a whole. Byrne Wallace have an extremely collaborative and positive culture where clients are not only treated with respect and courtesy, but training solicitors also engage with trainees through mentorship. I likewise thrive in a collaborative environment where I can challenge myself but I also appreciate being surrounded by genuine and honest people. For this reason, I admire Byrne Wallace's open-door culture. Byrne Wallace also value diversity and inclusion. I am the first Filipina to graduate from the Masters in Common Law in UCD and I hope to become among one of the first qualified Filipina solicitors in Ireland. For this reason, I look for a firm who is open to people of different kinds of backgrounds like me and uses this diversity to improve the firm. If I were to become a trainee at Byrne Wallace I hope to become a valuable asset in this way and I am willing and driven to learn.

I also believe I am a good fit for Byrne Wallace because my interests and experiences align to that of a potentially good commercial lawyer. Firstly, I am interested in commercial law. Last March I competed in the 27th Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Competition representing UCD. Through this challenging and rewarding experience I developed knowledge on the principles of international commercial arbitration and explored issues that were cross-border and very interesting from a theoretical perspective. I also gained insight into dispute resolution within the international commercial sphere and found that it is something I would like to learn more about. Byrne Wallace has been awarded Commercial Litigation Law Firm of the Year in the ACQ5 Law Awards 2018. This is of interest to me because of my interest in dispute resolution and commercial law and so I was particularly drawn to the firm. I also love dancing and this is one of the many ways I like to de-stress. I love learning new Kpop dances and covering them on TikTok. I am aware that premier corporate law firms require solicitors who are not only at the top of their game intellectually but also know how to de-stress and have the stamina to work long hours without losing focus.

I am now looking to secure a challenging and rewarding role and I believe that these skills, together with my knowledge and expertise, would make me an asset within the organization. I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours faithfully,

Theriz Von Mag-aso.