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My name is Vanisha Finlay, I am a 25 year old who is passionate about working as a Solicitor. ByrneWallace LLP is a firm I have admired for a long time now, and I am excited to have the opportunity to apply for the role of a Trainee Solicitor.

I understand the role of a Solicitor to have a wide range of responsibilities, such as the writing and preparation of legal documents; communication with other legal professionals such as Barristers; being able to represent clients in court; and attending negotiations with opposing parties, to name a few. I believe that with my background and relevant experience I can fulfil this role to a high standard. I've always had a very strong interest in Law, and have regularly sat in court watching cases. In the past I have also assisted with document preparation and organisation. I thoroughly enjoy following cases that are mentioned in the media, anticipating outcomes and fuelling conversations amongst my family and friends.

In 2017 I was lucky enough to complete a Solicitor Internship at McMahon Goldrick. This is a firm that specialises in the area of Medical Negligence. I thoroughly enjoyed my time here, and learned how each client's case is handled differently depending on their circumstances. One of the many highlights was the opportunity to sit in on calls and meetings with specialists in the medical field. This is so the firm can fully understand the impact of an extreme injury on the lives of each client. I also had the opportunity to read other case files and understand the outcome of previous clients that seek McMahon Goldrick's specialised practice.

In 2019 I graduated from UCD Smurfit with an MSc in Marketing Practice. During my year here I worked as a Marketing Advisor and completed market research and strategy development for a diverse range of clients, including Monster Energy and The Body Shop. I also undertook several modules including Shopper Marketing and Digital Marketing. This course allowed me to develop my research and client communication skills. It was important to maintain a professional relationship with each client. This was carried out through weekly catch up meetings with the company and my line manager, showcasing the progress of the project at hand. I also learned how to professionally format documents such as contracts and proposals, where close attention to detail is vital.

I believe that I would be a good fit for your firms' Traineeship Programme. Having read testimonials from your current colleagues, it is clear that ByrneWallace LLP encourages diversity and an open minded approach towards each rotation during the two year course. I can see that this Traineeship offers exposure to a wide range of different areas of law, and the opportunity to progress within the firm, and this is what attracted me most to apply.

I am confident that a career as a Solicitor is what I wish to pursue. Although my background is not a traditional route to Law, my varied educational qualifications will ultimately allow me to approach any given situation from an additional, and perhaps alternative perspective. This is an element of educational diversity I believe can benefit your firm. My experience within a Solicitors office, along side other relevant commercial placement, has equipped me with the ability to take on a challenging yet very rewarding programme with you.

Thank you for taking the time to consider me, I look forward to hearing from you. Kind Regards,

Vanisha Finlay.