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Recruitment Team  
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Dear Recruitment Team,

**Re: Graduate Lawyer**

I took an unorthodox start in my legal career by jumping straight into an in-house role at a tech start-up. I am passionate about the process of all legal work, but the technology and private equity landscape has always been my driving force. Within the close-knit team, I was able to gain as much experience in as little time as possible, and was even sponsored for my solicitor accreditation by this SME. Although I worked closely and was given development tips from external lawyers from Dentons in Sydney, I feel now my talents could be put to better use in a firm environment dealing with a diverse range of clients.

I have the perfect combination of aptitude and attitude for the position. My excellent grades across commercial law papers has being reinforced by positive feedback in the professional environment, while my exposure to common issues tech start-ups and SaaS companies face such as privacy, data security and intellectual property will allow me to hit the ground running.

My confidence is evident as the designated subject matter expert to developers, sales people and directors alike but I have recently also shown my adaptability to excel in a more supporting role within a full legal team at an international law firm.

I still possess the fresh learning agility of a graduate but have gained enough experience to know the exact area of law that fits my work ethic in the long term. With my keen investigative mind and attention to detail I would make a valuable contribution to the Simmonds Stewart team.

Please see my CV and academic transcript for further information.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Terry Wen