

Manager of the Internship Programme,
ByrneWallace LLP

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To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Antonia Marot, and I am a penultimate year Law and French student at Trinity College Dublin. I am writing to express my keen interest in a position on your Internship Programme. I firmly believe my combination of strengths and interests can complement those of ByrneWallace, and that I would thrive in the Firm's programme.

I wish to pursue a career in law as I derive great satisfaction from seeing tangible results, and from working in a people-centered environment. Corporate law would fulfil these ambitions while also allowing me to work on market-defining matters in a collaborative manner. Furthermore, corporate law appeals to me for the diversity of areas one can specialise in. A full-service firm, like ByrneWallace, offers the chance to work in a space that I am already interested in, or indeed perhaps one I have not yet encountered.

I am excited about the prospect of working for ByrneWallace as the Firm stands from its contemporaries for being the only leading firm in Ireland leading law firm with Lexcel accreditation. Equally, as I consider my future career, the importance ByrneWallace gives to its Internship Programme as an important pipeline to recruiting future trainees, is a huge attraction. Additionally, I also believe that due to the Firm's partner-led, collaborative approach, ByrneWallace is ideally placed to offer me a rich and fulfilling career.

My combination of strengths and attributes would complement those of ByrneWallace. As a bilingual Franco-Irish national, I was raised and educated in both countries. I believe my insight into different social and legal systems would be of value to the Firm. I have a broad array of work experience ranging from the retail sector to hospitality, catering, and the legal sector. This has given me a strong work ethic with many transferable skills such as communication, organisation, and customer service. Finally, I like to follow current affairs and international politics by listening to news podcasts daily.

Having successfully accomplished an internship with Michael Powell Solicitors, Cork, in summer 2022, I gained invaluable insight into the legal world. While a regional practice may in many ways differ from a corporate law firm, the basic values remain the same, namely, well-rounded communication, organisation, and good time-management. I honed these skills at Michael Powell Solicitors. I would relish the opportunity to further develop my professional knowledge and I believe ByrneWallace would provide me with a rich insight into life in a large commercial law firm.

In my spare time, I am engaged in activities with DU LawSoc, through the competing in and organising of Mock Trials. On Erasmus, I have maintained this involvement through the Outreach subcommittee, where I advise students in DEIS schools on career opportunities in Law. ByrneWallace's Corporate Social Responsibility approach 'in the Community' shares similar aims to the Outreach programme. I like to keep fit by swimming, paddle boarding and walking. This is complemented by an interest in travel which has taken me as far afield as Cuba and Zimbabwe. I also love to draw and illustrate, and I find all forms of art fascinating.

I am confident that my skills and academic achievements to date make me a strong candidate for this position. I would welcome the opportunity of an interview at any time, and I look forward to hearing from you soon. I thank you very much for your time in considering my application.

Yours faithfully,

Antonia Marot