

House 61,
Trinity College,
Dublin 2,
19/02/2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a final year Law student at Trinity College Dublin. I am writing to apply for a position on your Internship Programme. I am keen to secure a position with Byrne Wallace because of its unrivalled reputation in the areas of Corporate M&A and Commercial Litigation. I am applying to Byrne Wallace because these are the practice areas in which I find myself most interested.

I wish to use the skills I have developed to assist corporate clients in completing high-level transactions and to help them work through and resolve the legal problems and disputes they encounter. There are a number of skills I possess which would be beneficial in this role. Among them is my intellectual ability, organisational skills, research skills, teamwork skills and my ability to form relationships.

I have a proven intellectual ability. I am currently running on an average of 70% (First Class Honours) in the final year of my degree. I have also won awards for academic performance at University. My intellectual ability can also be seen in my participation in Moot competitions. This year, I won the Matheson National Moot Court while representing my University. In 2021, I was in the top 8 teams out of nearly 50 from across the UK and Ireland in the DCU National Moot Competition. I was also a finalist at both the Trinity College Moot 2022 and the Karen Kenny Senior FLAC Moot 2022. These achievements highlight my intellectual ability, my strong research skills and my ability to work well in a team.

My organisational skills and ability to forge relationships can be seen in my work with the Trinity Law Society. I have organised a trip to Galway from Dublin for 100 students, I have helped organise large-scale social events which have seen over 400 people attend and I have helped raise over €15,000 for our partner charity. As Treasurer, I am responsible for the finances of one of the biggest societies in Trinity, which has over 2000 members. I am also responsible for securing sponsorship. I must meet with many different law firms, build and maintain relationships with them, and negotiate sponsorship agreements.

I enjoy reasoning through complex legal problems in an effort to find an innovative solution. These skills have allowed me to do this effectively in an academic context, and in moot competitions. I want to develop these skills further to apply them in a professional context with Byrne Wallace.

I have also undertaken legal work experience where I worked as a legal assistant. This allowed me to further develop my skills, and to apply them in a professional legal environment. It also gave me an insight into how a law firm operates.

Thank you for considering my application. I would greatly appreciate any opportunity you may have.

Yours Faithfully,

Jack Rooney