Dear Ciara,

As I journey through my penultimate year at Trinity studying Law, I am assured that my resilience and determination have led me to the right place.

Following a year-long internship with data privacy startup Oblivious AI, it is refreshing to see how ByrneWallace's services are committed to data protection, particularly as it is the first major Irish law firm to secure the ISO 27001 information security certification. This edge in the firm's expertise reflects an environment that goes the extra mile to deeply understand its clients' issues, underlining one of the many reasons why a future at ByrneWallace is so promising.

The appeal of commercial law at ByrneWallace for me lies in the firm's ability to seamlessly 'cut' across various multidisciplinary teams and practice areas. I am particularly intrigued by the upcoming EU-AI Act's strict regulations, which are expected to affect numerous clients at the crossroads of practice areas like Intellectual Property/Data Protection, EU, Competition, & Regulatory Markets, to name a few. The nuanced legal expertise that ByrneWallace uniquely provides will be in high demand, and that is why I believe the variety of work I will get at the firm will constantly challenge and better me.

Managing a €150,000 budget from planning to executing the Eyes-Off Data Summit in July 2023 placed me squarely in the position of being accountable to our investors, ranging from early-stage to European and US-based venture capitals. Through this hands-on experience, I am keen to deepen my understanding of how different types of investment funds are structured, established and complied with on an ongoing basis. A firm with experience advising on all investment fund structures offers an unparalleled opportunity for me to do so.

For example, ByrneWallace's advisory role in Commercial Property Part 24 PLC, covering the set-up, build-up of portfolio, and subsequent un-wind while ensuring compliance, exemplifies the firm's commitment to supporting their clients through their entire lifecycle. Also, the firm's advisory role to EU VECA Funds, including preparing regulatory business plans, interests me as I am curious to learn more about how these fund platforms are subject to stringent regulatory requirements and if they are similar to the ones I've explored.

Ultimately, I am looking to secure a training contract with the firm, and being a trainee at ByrneWallace guarantees an exciting career with opportunities to grow, develop industry insights by attentively understanding clients' needs within the specific contexts of their challenges, and cultivate a tailored skill set to address these effectively.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application, and I look forward to hearing from you,

Best, Mira Bedi