

To whom it may concern,

I am applying for the position of Trainee Solicitor with Byrne Wallace. I think I would be a perfect fit for this position as I feel that I have the necessary skills and experience to start out on the road to becoming a fully qualified solicitor within an internationally recognised, full service firm, such as Byrne Wallace.

I have a well rounded educational background in many areas of law including domestic Irish and German law, public international law and European Union law. Adding to this, my LL.M. studies have equipped me with a unique economic perspective and analytical framework to critique the effectiveness of laws. Throughout my studies I have prided myself on my meticulous standard of legal and economic research. Further I have also passed all 8 FE1 examinations on the first attempt in the November 2020 and March 2021 sittings, all while working as full time Paralegal.

I have a wealth of contract negotiation and drafting experience which I gained in my current role of Paralegal for Qualtrics, an American tech company. I have negotiated against a variety of customer legal teams across EMEA and many industries. I also have some perspective from the client side of the legal service as I have had to engage legal counsel in a number of different jurisdictions to deal with corporate governance concerns. I think I also have an understanding of how to give clear and relevant legal advice to individuals which I gained not only in my current role but also during my internship in the Embassy of Ireland.

I think Byrne Wallace is the perfect fit for me. What I like in particular about the firm is that it has a very diverse client base. I want the opportunity to engage with international clients who work in multiple industries. Similar to this I also want to work in a firm which affords me the opportunity to gain an understanding of many practise areas which I think Byrne Wallace can deliver on. Not only do I appreciate the sense of community and teamwork from the Byrne Wallace website but also the emphasis the company has put on corporate social responsibility. I would love to get involved in some of the other community based events that the firm runs such as the Solas Project.

Yours Faithfully,

Alan Martin