Dear Sir/Madam,

I’m applying for a summer internship position with ByrneWallace after I complete my Corporate Law degree in the National University of Ireland, Galway.

I am a highly motivated individual who actively seeks out new challenges whether it is in my educational or working career and always try to push myself to achieve greater success. Throughout my time in college, I have always been employed. This has taught me how to multitask on a daily basis but also kept me under constant pressure to meet deadlines for college yet still be available to work. The skills I have acquired while working my way through college I feel will be vital for ByrneWallace. I have shown leadership skills in many different areas of work as I've been trusted with significant sums of money and a large amount of responsibility quite quickly after joining a team. Having spent the past summer in America working as a bartender it has not only provided me with invaluable life experience but has also taught me how to adapt to unfamiliar surroundings and how to adapt quite quickly. My leadership and communication skills are attributes which I believe is invaluable for ByrneWallace.

I have a huge passion when it comes to pursuing a career in law. After previously studying Chemistry, Physics and Maths following my Leaving Certificate for two years I came to the decision that it was not suited for me. Having looked at a lot of options, corporate law kept returning to the forefront. With two years completed in third level at this stage it meant that studying law would require me to pay full fees to be allowed to do this. This was a burden I did not want to put on my parents as it was completely my choice to choose this career path. By working over 80 hours a week for three successive summers while 35 hours on the weekend to be able to afford my studies. This shows how dedicated and determined I am to work in the field.

My application to ByrneWallace was influenced by the fact that the company practices in fields which are of huge interest to myself such as the technology and environmental areas of law. I am very interested in these two areas as my family business is a small independent technology firm and I have a very good grounding on the day to day running of such a business, my passion for the topic is also shown in my recent examination results in Information Technology Law in which I achieved a 73% grade. The opportunity to work in the legal area of the field greatly excites me. Environmental law as I mentioned is also of great interest to myself as I studied the topic last year under Ronan Long and received a 68% grade. The field of practice is engaging and I would be very interested in experiencing real-world problems and tasks connected with the topic. Another reason which influenced my decision to apply for ByrneWallace was the company’s dedication to Corporate Social Responsibility. As I mentioned on my curriculum vitae, my work with Enactus was a huge part of my University experience and Corporate Social Responsibility would be an area in which I would love to be pro-active in if working with ByrneWallace as I have some knowledge of the field.

The opportunity to work with ByrneWallace is a hugely exciting one and I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

Ciarán Gallagher.