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Byrne Wallace

87-88 Harcourt Street

Dublin 2

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to apply for a place on the Byrne Wallace Summer Intern Programme. I am a third year LLB law student at Maynooth University, with a strong interest in how law is practised in the most professional sphere and how leading law firms provide service to their clients.

I am actively involved in a wide variety of organisations and through these I have been involved in the organisation and management of a diverse range of extra-curricular projects. I enjoy challenging myself to reach new objectives and I have a strong sense of service. Together these qualities have led me to involvement with Maynooth Law Society, where I fulfil the role of secretary. I pride myself in this role on taking a proactive attitude, assisting the President in ensuring that the groundwork for society events is done to ensure success, as well as coming up with new ideas for the development of the society.

Similarly, my involvement with the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) in Maynooth has also resulted in the development of the society in new, exciting ways. I instigated and led Maynooth University's first ever delegation to a Model UN conference in Belfast in November 2015, confronting and overcoming many challenges in bringing seven people on what was a completely new experience for us all. I also founded and manage Maynooth's first ever Model UN conference, which has attracted huge interest and the inaugural session of which took place this month.

These experiences have been highly rewarding in a personal as well as a professional sense, helping me to develop a whole range of new skills and opening my eyes to new opportunities. The Trainee Solicitor Programme at Byrne Wallace has attracted my interest for the way it positions itself to develop new generations of top-class legal professionals who can provide first-class service to clients.

The Summer Intern Programme would therefore provide the perfect opportunity to allow me to develop my skills in the areas which are vital for trainees at Byrne Wallace, as well as showcase my attitudes and competences that I think would make me a suitable candidate for the trainee programme.

I append a transcript of my university results to date to this letter. I am eager to learn and develop myself professionally in order to better place myself for a strong career in the solicitor's profession. I think that the Summer Intern programme is an ideal means for me to engage in this process and that Byrne Wallace provides the ideal environment for me to develop myself in this way. I would be very grateful if you could allow me this fantastic opportunity.

Yours Sincerely,

Dónal Merrick

Transcript of University Results

First Year

<u>Contract Law</u>	72/100
<u>Law of Torts</u>	73/100
<u>Company Law</u>	75/100
<u>Democracy & Active Citizenship</u>	80/100
<u>Political Institutions: Theory & Practice</u>	80/100
<u>Political Institutions & Civil Society in Ireland</u>	75/100
<u>Political Institutions & Civil Society In Europe</u>	75/100
<u>Microeconomics: Markets, Welfare & Consumer Welfare</u>	87/100
<u>Microeconomics: Competitive Markets & Government</u>	71/100
<u>Introduction To Macroeconomics</u>	86/100
<u>Introduction to Quantitative Analysis for Economics</u>	76/100
<u>Introduction to Data Analysis</u>	92/100

Second Year

<u>Legal Skills</u>	78/100
<u>Introduction to Legal Systems</u>	70/100
<u>Criminal Law 1</u>	72/100
<u>Law of the European Union 1</u>	72/100
<u>Law of the European Union 2</u>	72/100
<u>Constitutional Law 1</u>	70/100
<u>Constitutional Law 2</u>	70/100
<u>Administrative Law</u>	76/100
<u>Evidence</u>	63/100
<u>Legal Writing and Advocacy</u>	77/100

Third Year

<u>Criminal Law 2</u>	70/100
<u>Equity & Trusts 1</u>	63/100
<u>Land Law 1</u>	63/100
<u>Jurisprudence</u>	68/100
<u>Alternative Dispute Resolution</u>	72/100

