Knockmullen,

New Ross,

Co. Wexford.

12th February 2018.

88 Harcourt St,

Saint Kevin's,

Dublin 2,

D02 DK18

To whom it may concern,

My name is Eimear Flynn and I am a final year Business and Law student in UCD. I am applying to Byrne Wallace because it is a firm I can identify with. I would like to participate in the internship programme with Byrne Wallace because it is where I will get the best exposure and experience of the legal world. Throughout my degree I have thoroughly enjoyed the attention to detail and judgement aspect of the law. The dynamic environment of the legal world appeals to me and is what attracted me to the career. My degree background has also equipped me with the necessary skills to be commercially aware. While working in tax I realised that it was the legal side of tax work that really appealed to me and therefore lead me to pursue a career in law and instilled confidence in me that it is the right path for me.

I enjoy working as part of a team but at the same time I welcome the opportunity to use my initiative and accept responsibility. This is best illustrated by my volunteering experience to Tanzania in summer 2016. I taught computers and English to both the teachers and the students and ran camps each afternoon. It was a wonderful experience, but not without its challenges. For example, we would often have power cuts during our computer classes which would last for long periods of time and so I used my initiative to teach the classes in a way that the pupils could relate to and would remember once the power was restored. The teamwork skills I learned on this project are indispensable and I look forward to further developing these skills in a professional capacity. Byrne Wallace’s commitment to and emphasis on corporate social responsibility is something that I admire and something that is of equal importance to me. Given my role as a volunteer teacher, I can relate to the Solas programme and I find it to be particularly interesting and admirable.

I am an ambitious person and I constantly strive to achieve my best and to reach my full potential. Throughout my degree I have successfully maintained a second class honours. From January to May 2017 I studied in Universidad de Navarra, Pamplona as part of the Erasmus programme. This afforded me the opportunity to study my degree subjects from a different perspective. The law classes I took while on Erasmus were based on American and U.K law. I thoroughly enjoyed studying the law from these jurisdictions because such subjects that are not on offer in UCD. This experience has given my degree a more diverse dimension.

University affords one with an opportunity to be part of societies and committees. I have made the most of this opportunity throughout my time in UCD. I was involved with UCD musical society as sponsorship manager for the hugely successful production of Legally Blonde. This was a great experience and one which has been influential in the further development of my communication, people and teamwork skills. I joined the Student Legal Service because as a law student it is a great way to get and insight into the legal world. I participated in the weekly legal clinics was also part of the Student Legal Convention committee. Both the law society and the L&H society run weekly debates which I enjoy attending. Since my involvement with UCD Volunteers Overseas I have continued to be a member of the student society and I like to attend the events which they run on campus too. I have recently become a fan of running and I find that it is a great way to clear one's mind and also to keep fit. I love to catch up and socialise with friends during my spare time.

Byrne Wallace’s reputation for ensuring that all trainees receive the support, guidance and skills required to be a successful lawyer is what I believe to be essential in a career and I hope to experience this first-hand through the internship programme.

I am happy to address any questions and I am available for interview at any time.

Yours sincerely,

Eimear Flynn.