18th October 2017

**RE: Traineeship Application**

Dear Beth,

I am a graduate of Trinity College Dublin, where I obtained a 2.1 Bachelor of Economics and Social Studies (BESS). I have recently completed a year-long Postgraduate Diploma in Law at the The Law Society of Ireland, where I received a 2.1., and as of this date I have sat six of the FE1 examinations. I am writing to apply for a traineeship position with Byrne Wallace.

Both my studies at Trinity College Dublin and my intern role with EY’s Global Trade team have given me a great insight into the centrality of law to the business world. This piqued my interest in the area of law and so I gained experience working with Colleary & Co Solicitors, which specialises in Data Protection and Intellectual Property. I have also worked with both Compton Solicitors and CC Solicitors, specialising in Retail and Liquor Licensing and Employment and Personal Injuries respectively. These roles, which were all in unique areas of law, have been complemented by my legal studies at The Law Society and have further reinforced my desire to train as a solicitor.

The opportunity to work with a group of legal professionals in a progressive, forward thinking firm such as Byrne Wallace offers outstanding opportunities to develop the skills required to become an expert lawyer and business adviser. Having worked in a cloud-based, paperless legal firm, I was delighted to hear from current trainees that Byrne Wallace is a firm that embraces technology. In reflection of your firm’s integrity and excellence, Byrne Wallace was awarded the Chambers Europe Ireland Client Service Award 2017 and the Irish Law Awards Excellence in Client Service Award 2017. This shows just how much Byrne Wallace upholds their motto in working to support, protect and promote the interests of clients through their expert application of the law, and certainly is a factor in why I would choose to work with such a firm.

Both my voluntary work and academic achievements reflect that not only am I driven but I thrive in team situations and I am confident in tackling the unique challenges that they can present. I am confident that my drive and ambition, reflected in my academic and workplace performance, will lay solid foundations for a successful career with Byrne Wallace.

Yours sincerely,

Ellie Kavanagh