Byrne Wallace, 87-88 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2.

## Re: Application for trainee solicitor role with Byrne Wallace

Dear Sirs.

I hereby apply for the trainee solicitor role with Byrne Wallace.

Throughout my studies I have always been interested in how the law intertwines with the real world. This alongside my experiences working in the public sector is what has led me to apply to a commercial firm of such standing as that of Byrne Wallace.

My honours degree in law from NUI Galway has provided me with an excellent grounding in law. In tandem to my law degree I also graduated with a history degree and an Irish language diploma. I am currently employed as a trainee solicitor with a large Dublin law firm and this experience alongside my university studies has been instrumental in helping me address the emerging issues in areas such as data protection, digital copyright and information technology with an eye to the commercial sector as well as my involvement in numerous commercial and conveyancing transactions, many of which I have been involved with from start to finish. I feel it is important for one to better ones knowledge in these emerging and ever changing areas that are affecting both the legal and commercial world.

The emphasis that Byrne Wallace places on innovation, team work and superb training greatly impresses me. I have a great appreciation for a wide variety of legal topics and the policy that you operate with regard your employees is highly appealing to me. I am eager to learn as much as I can and to obtain a vast range of experience in different aspects of legal practice.

I, in my own way bring very diverse skills and experiences cultivated through my varied life experiences. These include my roles as a radio documentary researcher for RTE, supporting a team of trained professionals as their head lifeguard, secretary of NUI Galway's free legal advice centre, a paralegal and finally my current role as a trainee solicitor. I have travelled extensively and worked in many different environments including Southeast Asia, mainland Europe, the United States and from my local roots to independent living in university.

My intellectual capabilities and high levels of motivation are highlighted in my academic achievements. I obtained one of the highest first class honours grades in my presentation lecture in Information Technology Law at NUI Galway on a topic researched solely by myself. This, coupled with the consistency of both my undergraduate and postgraduate results alongside my relevant work experience, exemplifies my desire to work to the best of my abilities. Particularly as I am to complete my last three FE1's and progress in the legal faculty.

In conclusion, I pride myself on my ability to work hard and produce results on a consistent basis. I am an affable, motivated and determined individual who operates to the highest ethical personal standards; standards which I believe mirror the values of Byrne Wallace. I firmly believe that I can contribute greatly to your firm and would relish the opportunity to do so.

Jason Mc Menam	in B.A., LL.B	B (Hons) Di	Gaeilge.

Yours Sincerely,