Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Laura Gannon and I am applying for a position on the Summer Intern Programme at Byrne Wallace as advertised on your website.

I decided to apply to Byrne Wallace as it is one of the country’s leading and most progressive law firms, with a reputation for providing excellent training. When researching the firm, it became clear to me that Byrne Wallace is a fast-paced and challenging environment which really excites me as I am looking for an opportunity to put my skills and knowledge to the test. The firm’s focus on delivering outstanding client service stood out to me and is something I feel I could contribute to. In addition, the efforts of the firm in promoting ongoing education for their employees is really inspiring to a person looking to further their career in law. While working at A&L Goodbody I got to see how multiple departments work day to day and although I did not work in the employment law division being able to see how important employment law is, especially in the corporate world, excites me and I enjoyed seeing the social side to working directly with people and companies to solve their problems.

I knew I wanted to work in the corporate world from studying subjects such as Contract Law and Company Law in college. This led me to pursue a Masters in International Commercial Law in UCD. During my masters I completed modules such as The Law of International Finance, Trademark Law and Corporate Governance. I specialised in Commercial Arbitration as I believe alternative dispute resolution is an area that is rapidly growing in Ireland. I am ambitious and driven and believe that in order to successfully pursue a career in Law during these constant changing times one must be innovative. The Summer Intern Programme offered at Byrne Wallace is encouraging just that - innovation. The programme allows interns to gain an insight into the different avenues of law before choosing the area they wish to later qualify in.

I believe that the skills and knowledge I obtained from working in A&L Goodbody will help me and set me aside from other potential candidates as I have experience working in high pressured circumstances during my time as a Paralegal on their bespoke Legal Project Management Team. My role, detailed in my CV attached, has provided me with a full understanding of how the business and legal worlds collide every day. Prioritisation is key in any legal role and a skill which I development and mastered during my time here. My previous experience in John M Quinn & Co Law Firm allowed me to gain experience while realising it was not the area I could see myself working in, but it was greatly beneficial to my overall professional level of work.

I believe Byrne Wallace would be a great fit for me, not just for the summer internship but hopefully for a long-term career. I would be delighted to be considered for a position on the Summer Intern Programme or any other role that may become available in your firm.

Yours Faithfully,

Laura Gannon.

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