## Cover Letter | Maurits van Ek

ByrneWallace Trainee-Program

After graduating from Leiden University (LL.B. Tax Law) I decided to pursue other passions to see what I enjoyed most. This decision lead me through a diverse path consisting of project management in the ecommerce sector, my own online gaming start-up and enlisting as a signals officer in the Royal Dutch Army, where I also acted as military legal counsel. This diverse path has giving me a clear understanding of what I want from my professional life; a fast-paced and dynamic environment where I can utilize my analytical and creative mind and thrive under pressure alongside colleagues that I can trust and enjoy working with. I strongly believe that a career in law at ByrneWallace can give me all.

First, I believe that I can find the fast-paced and dynamic environment through working with the large variety of top-tier clients of ByrneWallace that work in even larger variety of industries, each with their own set of legal challenges.

Second, I have no doubt that I can utilize my analytical and creative mind when working at ByrneWallace. Not only in the very nature of the law, but maybe even more so by specializing in areas such as information technology law.

Third, I'm certain that at ByrneWallace I can thrive under pressure alongside colleagues that I can trust and enjoy working with due to commitment and great effort designated to building teams and the high investment in personal and professional development.

To conclude, based on the above, I sincerely hope that you consider my application and that I would be given the great pleasure to start my legal career as solicitor at ByrneWallace.