NIAMH DONNELLY

Traineeship Contract 2021/2022 Application

30th Oct 2020

Dear Graduate Recruitment Manager,

I am applying for a Traineeship position for the year 2022. I am in my Final year of the LLB Law degree at Maynooth University and intend to complete my FE1 examinations in two or three sittings directly after graduation.

I am attracted to the opportunity at ByrneWallace to expand my knowledge in some of the many areas available in your law firm. I am excited by the prospect of developing a further understanding of the work in areas I already love and am interested in, such as litigation and Intellectual property law.

I was immediately attracted to work at ByrneWallace when I learned of your extensive client list. The opportunity to grow as a Lawyer while working with big names is something you will not find in many firms. To be able to learn and train in this award-winning, top-tier, full-service law firm would be an invaluable experience.

When choosing what firms to apply for, I always look to see what the firm culture is like. The moment I read about the Solas project, I knew I would love working with this initiative due to similar work I have carried out for the Access Office in Maynooth University. The emphasis put on employee led initiatives and a work life balance is something that stands out to me and has attracted me to ByrneWallace.

I love working under pressure; therefore, I believe I would enjoy the fast-paced work environment in a commercial law firm like ByrneWallace.

Additionally, unlike criminal law firms, commercial firms offer you the chance to form longstanding business relationships. I believe I would enjoy this continuity and the chance to grow with clients. I believe ByrneWallace would allow me to build these longstanding relationships.

I think my biggest reason initially for being interested in the ByrneWallace Trainee Programme is due to the unique experience the programme offers. There are so many options for rotations, made even better by the open-door policy the firm has during their mentorship, and, of course, the opportunity for personal development. There seem to be so many amazing opportunities to expand your knowledge, skills and horizons at ByrneWallace.

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I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to undertake a traineeship contract in your firm. I feel that I would be a good fit due to the aforementioned transferable skills in my application form which I possess and my attitude towards leaving my comfort zone which I feel would enable me to push the boundaries on what is expected of a ByrneWallace Trainee.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application.

Sincerely, Niamh Donnelly.