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12th October 2018

Byrne Wallace,

88 Harcourt Street,

Dublin 2.

To whom it may concern,

In addition to the application form and CV also attached, This is a cover letter detailing my personality.

First, I am an extrovert. I like to talk to people and I am comfortable speaking in a crowded room. I have had plenty of days where I wasn’t sure what I wanted to do with my life. I had worked in a few jobs after my leaving certificate, without any concrete knowledge of where I was going or what I wanted to be. I knew there was talent and ability within that I needed to extrapolate. I made the conscious decision to go back to University as a mature student in 2012, to try and get the best out of myself. It was an immensely enjoyable experience, both academically and socially. I found a passion for law and I have tried to build on that since.

I followed up on the LLB with an MA in Criminology and Criminal Justice. Unfortunately, my mother became terminally ill during the academic year and as you can imagine my interest in the Masters became limited. I managed to complete it, not with the result or level of effort put in that I had intended, but sometimes other things are more important.

Seeing how life can be taken from you in such a dramatic manner has given me a new impetus to help other people, and to challenge myself to get as much out of my body, both physically and intellectually. I signed up for a trip to Zambia and set the challenge of raising €10,000 in 2018, which I duly did. I also took part in some adventure races, which are hugely physically and mentally challenging, but massively rewarding when completed.

I have taken personality testing as part of the Inner Winner Institute Personal and Professional Leadership Programme I was recently involved with. The Disc and Varq testing have shown that I am a good listener, good at reconciling factions, patient and empathetic, always concerned about quality work and like to build good relationships. I am comfortable working on my own, or as art of a team. I am an effective communicator and my training has shown me how to work with people of varying personalities. I believe these traits are well suited to working in a law firm and if given the opportunity can be improved upon. I have no doubt the ability to become an excellent solicitor, and to help progress the firm of Byrne Wallace even further is within my capabilities.

I thank you for taking the time to read this letter, and I hope you will consider my application.

Best wishes,

Ronan Kennedy