**21/10/2015**

**Re: Traineeship Application.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a 23 year old graduate of the National University of Ireland, Galway. Having achieved a first class honours, grade one degree in my undergraduate of Civil Law, and having recently received the same degree in a Postgraduate course in International Human Rights at the well renowned Irish Centre for Human Rights in Galway, I am seeking to secure a trainee contract within your esteemed firm.

I have long demonstrated keen interest in the areas of corporate and business law, beginning in secondary school and continuing through the various modules of study which I decided to pursue during my undergraduate course. I have amassed substantial academic as well as practical experience in all areas of law and procedure and most recently, human rights law.

In referencing academic experience, I refer to a wide range of in depth study and examination of modules directly relevant to the practice areas of your firm including Company law, Employment law, EU law, Administrative and Family law, as well as extensive research experience during my postgraduate studies into all aspects of Human Rights and Business and Human Rights Law, before completing my dissertation on the topic of labour rights.

Undoubtedly, I feel the most invaluable practical experience which I have gained was during my internship at the Office of the Attorney General. I was exposed to the wide range of work carried out by both state and private lawyers, the operation of the courts, litigation and the drafting of legislation. Such an experience has undeniably prepared me appropriately for work within your firm.

As a result of both my academic and practical experiences, I have gained many vital attributes necessary for a career in law, most notably critical reasoning, research and writing skills and interpersonal and communications skills. Because of such skills, coupled with both my familiarity with, and passion for many of the practice areas of your firm, I have a great desire to work within Byrne Wallace, a firm with an unquestionable reputation and a long standing history of excellence, and would be thrilled to contribute in any way possible to the work of the office.

Most importantly, I am certain I can offer a degree of motivation and ambition second to none and a desire to learn and achieve to levels which surpass all expectations. Thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing my application materials.

Sincerely,

Shane Divilly.