

Ms Sinead Fox
Human Resources Administrator
Byrne Wallace Solicitors
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Re: Solicitor Traineeship Contract

Dear Ms. Fox,

I am writing to enquire about the possibility of a Solicitor Traineeship contract with Byrne Wallace Solicitors.

I am currently employed as a contracts administrator for Mercury Holdings, an independent, privately owned engineering company with operations in Ireland, the UK and several other EU states. I have passed six of the Law Society's FE-1 Examinations and intend to complete the remaining two examinations, Real Property and Constitutional Law, by March 2016.

In brief, I combine qualifications in Engineering and Law with work experience in the construction industry (please see the attached CV). Since the Construction Group at Byrne Wallace is one of the leading construction practices in Ireland, my keen interest in a Solicitor Traineeship contract needs no explanation. I would hugely value the opportunity to develop my knowledge and skills.

However, I would also seek to contribute something of value to the company. The Construction Contracts Act 2013, which will soon be implemented, is expected to have a strong impact on construction contracts and the construction industry in general. As the Construction Industry enters a new era in Ireland and utilities and energy projects come to the fore, one would note that NEC and FIDIC would now appear to be the clients preferred choice of standard forms of engineering and construction contracts. Byrne Wallace are at the forefront of practices concerning both contentious and non-contentious construction projects and dispute resolution matters. In that context, I would hope that, with my hybrid body of knowledge and experience across Law, Project Management, Engineering and Technical Craft, I could contribute constructive and practical input to a diverse range of matters as a trainee within your company.

I would be most grateful of an opportunity to discuss this matter with you further.

Yours sincerely,



Declan Callan

Enclosed: Curriculum Vitae
cc. Ms. Louise Forrest