

BRENDAN G. CORRIGAN

213 COOLIDGE PLACE · BRISTOL, PENNSYLVANIA 19007
(215) 260-4177 · BCORRIGAN@STUDENTS.LAW.MIAMI.EDU

February 21, 2012

Dear Intern Selection Committee:

Let me begin by thanking you, not only for your time in consideration of my application, but also for the unparalleled opportunity—through the Prudential Financial 2012 1L Summer Internship—to become a component of Prudential's efforts to ensure financial prosperity and peace of mind for all of its clients. As a first-year law student at the University of Miami School of Law, I am certain that serving as a legal intern will allow me to further my commitment to exploring innovative solutions to financial issues faced by individuals, families, businesses, and organizations throughout the world. I have derived my academic and career motivations from an inherent proclivity towards public service. Furthermore, as a bright and energetic young entrepreneur, it is with immense excitement that I view this opportunity to gain exposure to the financial services industry in such a distinguished capacity.

Several of my academic and professional experiences will enable me to hit the ground running as a legal intern at Prudential. My undergraduate honors thesis integrated my experience as an openly-gay candidate for student body president at the largest university in the nation, and juxtaposed that experience with the role that the LGBTQ community plays in national politics regarding both campaigns and substantive policy. The research I conducted to complete my thesis further deepened my interest in legal rights and public policy. The research and writing skills that I developed through my candidacy and thesis-writing process were supplemented by two of my subsequent internships. Firstly, as the government affairs intern for the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, I was able to cultivate my interpersonal skills through daily, professional interactions with members of the state legislature, public policy advocates, and criminal justice system stakeholders. Secondly, as a research assistant to former Congressman Patrick Murphy's campaign for Pennsylvania Attorney General, my written and oral communication skills were significantly advanced by my placement within the critical operations of a campaign staff. Finally, I have experienced the value of hard work and economic prosperity first-hand when I started a small landscaping business while in high school, which has grown substantially each year since its inception, and has allowed me to pay my way through school.

In sum, I would relish the chance to work at The Rock and expand upon the skills and experiences I have acquired thus far. Please let me know if there is any additional information or references that I can provide to abet the selection committee in its efforts. Again, I wish to extend you my sincerest gratitude for your time and consideration of my application.

Very truly yours,

Brendan G. Corrigan