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Prudential Internship Selection Committee
National LGBT Bar Association
1301 K Street NW, Suite 1100, East Tower
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Sir(s) and/or Madam(s):

I am writing to express my sincere interest in the Prudential summer internship program. I am currently a first year law student at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law in Baltimore, Maryland and learned about the internship opportunity via an e-mail from your organization, of which I am a student member.

During my undergraduate education, I worked for two Atlanta-area law firms over a span of four years. I developed invaluable time management and analytical skills that allowed me to quickly advance from a file clerk to a paralegal and that set the stage for my future legal endeavors. I also became intimately familiar with the processes and complexities of numerous types of litigation, including matters in the areas of contract, real property, torts and insurance law. While at law school, I have had the opportunity to hone my interests and skills. During my first semester, I excelled in my contracts course, finishing with an 'A-'; I also received a grade of 'B+' in my Legal Analysis and Writing course, reflecting my legal writing prowess. I am also developing an active interest in two courses I am taking this semester: property and a business course in the context of intellectual property.

Outside of the classroom, I volunteer for a local nonprofit organization that provides free legal services to indigent children treated at Johns Hopkins Hospital. This has exposed me to various aspects of health and disability law, as well as effective advocacy for any client. I am also an active member of the LGBT Law Student Alliance and as an undergraduate I was involved with an HIV/AIDS outreach program for multiple years. As a result of these activities and because I myself am gay, I am deeply committed to diversity in all forms and strive to practice acceptance of and support for any underrepresented person I encounter, especially those in the LGBT community. I am confident that this commitment to my community combined with my substantial empirical experience in the legal world and my proven law school academic success will make me an excellent individual to represent the National LGBT Bar Association in Prudential's summer internship program.

Please find attached herewith my résumé for your consideration. Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

/s/ Travis F. Chance

Attachment

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Education

University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law; Baltimore, Maryland

J.D. Expected, May 2014

GPA: B

- Maryland Intellectual Property Student Association
- LGBT Law Student Alliance

Georgia Institute of Technology - School of Chemistry and Biochemistry; Atlanta, Georgia.

B.S. Biochemistry, December 2010

GPA: 3.14

- Two semesters of Faculty Honors; 1 semester on Dean's List
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant for Synthesis Lab I; Fall 2010.

Experience

Project HEAL at the Kennedy Krieger Institute

Baltimore, Maryland

Legal Intern, January 2011 – Present

- Draft various legal documents for filing with focus on disability and family law.
- Perform legal research.
- Meet with state government officials to broaden understanding of issues in health law.

The Moore Law Group, LLC

Atlanta, Georgia

Paralegal, January 2011 – August 2011

- Drafted numerous pleadings and discovery materials, including complaints and requests for production, with a focus in tort, property and bankruptcy matters.
- Drafted demand letters after reviewing client medical records.
- Coordinated and prepared attorney for depositions, court hearings and trials.

Yoss, LLC

Atlanta, Georgia

Assistant Case Manager, September 2010 – December 2010

File Clerk, August 2007 – September 2010

- Oversaw management of over 200 collections cases simultaneously, including drafting and filing of various pleadings.
- Directed production of discovery materials to opposing parties and indexing of received discovery materials.
- Managed calendars/meetings of multiple attorneys.
- Maintained case files in neat, organized manner.

Extracurricular & Community Activities

- ❖ American Bar Association, Student Member; August 2011 – Present.
- ❖ The National LGBT Bar Association, Student Member; August 2011 – Present.
- ❖ AID Atlanta, Clinic Volunteer; February 2009 – February 2011.
- ❖ AIDS Walk Atlanta, Participant/Volunteer; 2007, 2008, 2010.
- ❖ PADI certified SCUBA diver since 2001.

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References

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2. Professor Martha Ertman
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Professor Ertman instructed my Contracts course during my first semester.

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Ms. Diamond served as one of my direct supervisors during my undergraduate employment at Yoss, LLC f/k/a Adorno & Yoss, LLC in Atlanta, Georgia.