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To Intern Program Coordinator,

I am a first year law student at Cornell Law School and am very interested in the Prudential Financial 1L Summer Internship Program. As a bisexual Puerto Rican, who still calls New Jersey home, I believe I can bring a wealth and diversity of experience to the program. As a professional singer since the age of 7, I bring a pressure-tested work ethic, which I hope to contribute this summer.

At Trinity College I gained a global purview through a self-designed major in Urban & Global Studies and studies abroad in Spain, France, and China. I put said perspective to use while working at Lawyers Without Borders, where I managed the Neutral In-Court Trial Observation program and conduced research on global human rights abuses. My most significant contribution to LWOB was a series of training videos I created and voiced-over, which are now used internationally to train LWOB lawyers and volunteers.

Upon graduating from Trinity, I participated in the SEO Corporate Law program, which provides mentoring and an internship prior to entering law school. I interned at Davis Polk & Wardwell, gaining valuable experience in various transactional divisions by conducting research, drafting and proofing memos, and attending client meetings. During my time there I also drafted memos following changes in the Dodd-Frank Act. Additionally I was given significant responsibility in two UVisa and name-change pro-bono cases, directing client contact and utilizing my foreign language skills.

My skill set also includes strong research and writing skills as I have been awarded three research fellowships, each culminating in substantial papers. In my senior year, I was employed as an editorial assistant at Trinity’s Center for Urban and Global Studies to review submissions for two upcoming publications. In recognition of my writing skill, the Center’s director requested that I collaborate with him to co-author the final chapter in *Rethinking Global Cities.* Additionally, Cornell’s intensive first-year legal skills course has imparted me practical legal research, analytical, and writing skills.

I welcome the opportunity to further discuss my qualifications. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [mam725@cornell.edu](mailto:mam725@cornell.edu) or 201.805.2490. Sincerest thanks for your time and consideration.

Regards,

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