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Dear Mr. Berrigan:

I am a first-year law student at Chapman University Dale E. Fowler School of Law in Orange, California, seeking a summer law clerk position at the Epic IP Group. I graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara with a dual degree in physics and political science, and I plan to pursue a career in intellectual property law. Currently, I am studying for and plan to take the Patent Bar examination this summer. I hope to combine my background in science and law, my analytical skills, and my research and writing skills to assist your clientele in obtaining, protecting, and enforcing their intellectual property rights.

Studying physics allowed me to develop strong analytical reasoning skills; however, as an undergraduate I recognized that science programs often leave a student's writing skills underdeveloped. I actively sought opportunities to enhance my writing skills. I chose to write a year-long thesis integrating law and science. In it, I examined the pitfalls of litigating patents without a proper understanding of their underlying science. As a staff writer in the features and opinions sections of U.C. Santa Barbara's weekly newspaper, *New University*, I published articles on topics ranging from the role of women in combat to a piece touting the health benefits of coffee and chocolate. These writing assignments exercised my analytical and writing skills and prepared me for the extensive amount and varying types of writing demanded by the Epic IP Group.

I have always worked while in school. As a research assistant at U.C. Santa Barbara, I worked efficiently and independently to teach myself to write science-based computer programs. I also interacted with the community by volunteering to give tours at the U.C. Santa Barbara Observatory and at the Santa Barbara Science Center. I hope to use my strong work ethic, ability to work independently, and people skills to support the Epic IP Group.

I welcome the opportunity to interview with you to further discuss my qualifications. Please let me know if you require any additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Signature".

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