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I am a second-year student at New York Law School and I am pursuing a career in Personal Injury, specializing in Medical Malpractice and Mass Tort litigation. I know that my diverse academic and professional experiences demonstrate a spectrum of skills highly applicable to the work I hope to do in the future.

Through my prior internship and studies at New York Law School, I have acquired research, writing, analytical and client relationship skills. Last summer, as a legal intern for a small litigation firm, I worked closely with a few well-respected attorneys. I was able to strengthen my client communication skills by sitting in on/participating in client interviews and working as a translator for an arbitration. I gained valuable experience in what it meant to cater to a clients' needs, concerns, and their ultimate goals; the ability to truly empathize with a client's situation to be one of most importance. Because this was a firm devoted to general litigation, the cases that I was presented with were diverse. I worked on slip and fall accidents, EEOC claims, and Immigration cases. I conducted research, assisted in writing memorandums, drafting and amending complaints, and putting together discovery files.

At New York Law School, one of the best decisions I have made thus far was taking courses in Medical Malpractice and Health Law and Policy, both of which I excelled in. The experience was invaluable. My Medical Malpractice course only reaffirmed the passion that I have for the field. Not only did I learn the substantive law, but I had the opportunity to reenact previous cases that my professor took on in his career. This experience opened my eyes to what it meant to be a Medical Malpractice attorney. I knew, without a doubt, that was exactly the career that I wanted to devote my life to.

Furthermore, I gained valuable legal research, writing, and negotiating skills in my Legal Practice courses. I further developed those skills by taking a Drafting Litigation course. I particularly enjoyed that course because I was able to work on a case from start to finish, writing various motions for different stages of litigation. That not only familiarized me with the litigation process, but also allowed me to strengthen my writing skills. I am currently taking a Pre-Trial advocacy course to strengthen the skills required for litigation.

I am happy with the strides I have made thus far in my legal career, but I know that there is so much more to learn. I would love to get hands on experience and further develop my knowledge of the practice. I want nothing more than to be the voice for the victims of medical malpractice; people that have been wronged by the negligent acts of those whom they put their ultimate trust in. I believe in bringing justice to victims and their families and understand that justice may look different to each client. I know that I can make a difference in the lives of others and hope to continue gaining the necessary skills and knowledge to one day do so.

Sincerely,  
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