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Erin Hulsekim, Esq.  
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Dear Ms. Hulsekim:

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Securities Associate position with CaliforniaFirm LLP as advertised on your firm's web site. I believe that my practical work experience as a lawyer in private practice and in-house, in combination with my recent graduation from the Master of Laws (LL.M.) program at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, ideally prepares me for such a position.

Prior to attending the LL.M. program at Berkeley Law, I was Associate Legal Counsel to a San Francisco-based investment manager, where my responsibilities include advising on a variety of legal issues arising from investment activities and ensuring compliance with federal securities laws. I also practiced for one year in the New York office of InternationalFirm LLP after receiving my law degree in Spain and spending two years in the firm's Madrid office. My practice focused on advising clients on all aspects of fund formation and distribution, both within the United States and offshore, and covering a broad range of investment strategies. This involved drafting all fund offering documentation and the negotiation of complex agreements.

I sought to further expand my knowledge and expertise regarding U.S. corporate laws through enrollment in the LL.M. program at Berkeley Law, where my studies focused on the disclosure regimes under the securities laws, the regulation of investment companies and investment advisers, as well as the examination of more complex unregistered fund structures and the derivatives markets. I firmly believe this specialized legal training will provide an excellent foundation from which to prepare rules and regulations applicable to a broad range of market participants.

It is with this background that I apply for a position with your firm. I believe that the rigorous analysis undertaken as part of my studies, in addition to my practical knowledge of investment management operations acquired through my work experience, qualifies me to serve in this role. Please find attached my resume and a writing sample for your review. Thank you for your time in considering my application.

Sincerely,

Andrea S. Estudiante

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