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Dear Pemberton Law Firm,

I write this letter in lieu of the packing and other preparations for returning to the campus of Gustavus Adolphus College. As nice as it was to spend most of this recent, gorgeous Monday outside, I could not help but to reflect on the great experience that it was to work at the Pemberton Law Firm over the summer.

If I shared all of those reflections, I would need to purchase (or borrow) a Dictaphone and have my mom transcribe them. I'm reluctant to do that, so I'll share just a few:

*All* of the employees at the Fergus Falls office were professional, cooperative, helpful and productive during my employment period. I stress "all" because I have been disposed, either through employment or anecdote, to businesses with that "one guy," with whom no one likes to work. Perhaps Pemberton's "one guy" was long ago buried behind files in the old Security State Bank vault, but I like to think that firm is simply committed to hiring quality people committed to hard work and cooperation.

And in a way it was the quality of Pemberton's employees that made their cooperation all the more impressive. Very early on in my employment, I felt a little pesky constantly peaking around cubicles and into offices to ask questions on various subjects. Not only were my questions answered thoroughly by lawyers and staff alike, but I felt like I could return for more advice when the time came. Despite my comparatively thin legal knowledge, I always felt like part of the team, and never marginalized. Everyone I worked with was as approachable as they were learned in law: I shall pray for such favorable co-workers in the future.

More than anything, Pemberton law has given me a favorable view of the practice of law. Whether or not I choose to embark on a law related field, I feel the knowledge and perspective I gained working at Pemberton law firm was invaluable.

Thanks so much for the opportunity,

Jack Underwood