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I would like to thank The Flag and General Officers' Network, the Admiral Carey Foundation, the Aurora Foundation, and The George Washington University Law School for their financial support this summer. The Admiral McGrail Scholarship has given me the opportunity to pursue an internship at the Department of Defense Office of the General Counsel (OGC), which has thus far been an amazing experience.

Upon arriving at OGC, I was assigned to the International Affairs division, and my research has focused primarily on domestic and international law-related issues surrounding treaties. The highlight of my internship has been taking part in strategizing for and observing a negotiation of a proposed international agreement. Additionally, the large scope of OGC's mission has exposed me to a wide array of other legal topics, including the law of war, counterterrorism law, arms sales, government contracts, and even space law. This experience has opened my eyes to the multitude of legal issues affecting the military and, more broadly, our government's efforts to defend the homeland and allied nations from our enemies and adversaries.

The attorneys at OGC are among the best legal minds in the federal government, and the training and mentorship they have provided has confirmed my desire to pursue a career in public service. Indeed, OGC is filled with veterans of all the military branches, many of whom served as Judge Advocates during their time in uniform; and my conversations with them have led me to consider reentering the military upon graduation from law school.

Sincerely,



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