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I would like to thank The Flag and General Officers' Network, The George Washington University Law School, the Aurora Foundation and the Admiral Carey Foundation for their support of the Admiral McGrail Memorial Scholarship Program. Because of this program, I was able to serve as an intern for the Honorable Evan J. Wallach of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, who I was thrilled to work with over the course of this summer.

My primary area of research has been into the various uses that non-governmental organizations may have for autonomous robots in areas with ongoing emergencies, and the legal implications of automatization in this context. The scope of my research has been incredibly wide, including conducting interviews with noted roboticists and NGO officials, ongoing trends in robotics, and the legal implications of use of autonomous robots in various capacities, both in domestic and international law.

Additionally, I have been afforded the opportunity to assist in reviewing and editing opinions for Judge Wallace as a part of his work for the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, which has helped teach me the ins and outs of judicial opinions and improved my legal writing, which will prove invaluable in my work for the Federal Circuit Bar Journal in the coming years. I have also been afforded the opportunity to watch oral arguments and to speak with Judge Wallach about the arguments I heard, and the best methods for oral arguments. This information will be very useful not only in my role on the Moot Court Board, but also in pursuing a career as a litigator.

Sincerely,



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