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The Honorable Judith Sheindlin
United States District Court
2188 Gabrielle Solis Federal Building
75 Spring Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Judge Sheindlin,

My name is Bart Simpson and I am a third-year student at the Florida State University College of Law. Having attended Springfield College for my undergraduate degree in Earth Science, I would appreciate the opportunity to return to the familiar city of Atlanta to serve as your judicial clerk beginning in the fall of 2008. Enclosed, please find a current resume, writing sample, transcript and letters of recommendation.

Prior to entering law school, I completed my Master's degree in Forestry at the University of Illinois, where I finished first in my graduate class. Currently, I rank eighth in my law class, placing me in the top 3% overall. I am a member of both the Florida State Moot Court Team and *The Florida State Law Review*, for which I have served as a Notes and Comments Editor, earning two Outstanding Subciter Awards, and the Editor-in-Chief's "Piece of the Year" Award.

This past summer, I had the pleasure of working as a summer associate at the international firm of Moe, Homer & Burns, LLP, where I gained litigation experience in civil matters ranging from real property issues to toxic tort and copyright infringement. In addition, I have served as a law clerk for the Tallahassee law firm of Flanders & Krustowski. Both positions have helped improve my legal writing and research skills, my ability to analyze and interpret the law, and my interpersonal and communication skills. Further, I have served as a research assistant to Professor Waylon Smithers, former President of the American Bar Association, and well-respected appellate advocate in both the United States Supreme Court and the Supreme Court of Florida. Through that invaluable experience, I had the pleasure of drafting a brief filed with the Florida State Supreme Court, seeking an initiative constitutional amendment, as well as assisting in the preparation for oral argument.

I appreciate your time and consideration and welcome the opportunity to interview with you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Bart Simpson
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