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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am excited to apply for the IT Help Desk Specialist position at the District Attorney's Office located in Manhattan. With hands-on experience in hardware and system support, and cybersecurity principles, I am eager to contribute my problem-solving skills and technical expertise to your team. As a Master's graduate in Digital Forensics and Cyber Security from John Jay College of Criminal Justice with a fresh CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst (CySA+) Certification and a Certification Core Splunk User, I am excited to contribute my technical expertise and problem-solving skills to your organization's Information Technology (IT) Department.

My academic background in cybersecurity, combined with hands-on technical experience, perfectly aligns with the position's requirements. As a former Computer Lab Assistant at John Jay College, I assisted students and staff with troubleshooting hardware and software issues, managed an inventory of digital resources, and ensured compliance with IT security protocols. I also maintained detailed inventory systems for printing supplies and software licenses. These experiences parallel troubleshooting both PC and Mac hardware and software outlined in the IT Help Desk role.

My participation in the NYC Tech Talent Pipeline program enhanced my technical capabilities through hands-on projects and collaborative problem-solving. I consistently received recognition for my meticulous attention to detail, particularly in document analysis and project milestone completion. My experience includes implementing security protocols, managing system updates, and providing technical documentation – all essential skills for an IT Help Desk Specialist.

In my recent position at Commonpoint Queens, I demonstrated initiative by taking on additional technical responsibilities beyond my primary role. I regularly diagnosed and resolved issues with classroom technology infrastructure, including smartboards and Google Chromebooks, while maintaining detailed documentation of all technical interventions. This experience showcases my ability to handle multiple priorities while delivering exceptional technical support.

My academic coursework in Network Security, Cyber Risk Assessment and Management, and Forensic Management of Digital Evidence has provided me with a strong foundation in current cybersecurity practices and IT service management principles. I've completed several practical projects including:

- Implementing secure network protocols in a virtualized environment
- Conducting vulnerability assessments and developing mitigation strategies
- Managing digital evidence chains of custody and documentation

I am particularly drawn to the District Attorney's commitment to resolving complex technology problems and serving as a technical resource. My experience working in IT support and youth programs has strengthened my ability to escalate issues as required and ensure timely distribution of information within the organization to expedite resolutions.—an essential skill for an IT Help Desk Specialist. Also, I can troubleshoot to resolve technical issues related to personal computer hardware, software applications, and mobile devices if necessary. In short, my combination of technical expertise, problem-solving abilities, and strong communication skills would make me a valuable addition to your team.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my skills align with the IT Help Desk Specialist job position. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Udipto S. Chowdhury