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To Whom It May Concern,

I have not been career searching long, but now I see how many people do exactly what is preached to them when they look for jobs. I would be a hypocrite if I said I haven't too, but I have decided to go on my own path from here.

I understand how ATS works, and I knowingly run the risk of being blocked, but I have decided to ignore that and focus on bluntness and efficiency (hence outline format).

- I will no longer submit cover letters aimlessly anymore; only for truly desired positions.
- I am only applying because I read the job requirements thoroughly, and I genuinely believe I can be a good asset someday.
- I have had difficulties in the past, which might make me look bad on paper. However, I have always been naturally intelligent and at the top of my class since birth. I am the son of two medical doctors: my father has practiced for over thirty years in Westminster, Maryland and is just now nearing retirement, while my mother retired when she moved here from Korea to raise my sister and I full-time.
- I previously won the William S. Thomas prize at Gilman School, which is given to the top scholar of each class annually from grades 8-12, as well as the valedictorian. Despite the start of a difficult period of my life, I scored well on the SATs, including a perfect 800 Math. I've won three academically-related awards at the university-level, which are listed at the end of my resume, and I have always been the student that classmates came to for help during the semester, whatever the final outcome ended up being.
- I first tried software development on a complete whim upon moving to Atlanta. At my bootcamp, I excelled and completed two full-stack projects on the side of the three projects I did for class. My teacher, Gary Storey, the head of Macy's Technology in Gwinnett for twelve years and now a Senior Engineering Consultant at Levvel.io, has written a Linked-in recommendation for me and is serving as a job reference.
- I have just recently finished building a MERN-stack mobile app for HearBK as a React Intern. In this role, I worked remotely with a senior developer on a two-person team to meet a product release deadline, and I found success despite a very heavy workload.
- I am set to begin another internship with Project Cost Solutions in Midtown working under a front-end developer while also staying with HearBK as a part-time consultant.
- I truly believe in my desire to learn and the possibility of becoming a future asset someday, with a little guidance.

I sincerely appreciate your time and hope we can connect further. Thank you!