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Dear Rachel Rosenfelt,

I am applying to be considered for the apprentice role at Position Development. I believe this is the perfect environment to push my web development skills to the next level while delivering an efficient, sophisticated product. My experience building web applications makes me a perfect candidate for this role.

Having worked in design and studied visual art, I am uniquely equipped to understand any problem, break it into its constituent parts and devise a creative solution. At Opiary, a design firm I worked at previously, my role required constantly innovating solutions for a wide range of challenges. During my short time at the firm, I delivered a graphic design package, redesigned the trade-booth and managed website content. None of these problems were part of my curriculum in college; however, I applied my ability to research and analyze a problem in order to innovate a solution that put the firm at or above the level of its competitors.

While my work experience is in design, my passion and focus has been web development. Before going to Flatiron School, I took classes in computer science as well as self-taught myself algorithms and web graphics. At Flatiron, I learned to work across the stack, writing clean, optimized code in SQL, Ruby, Rails, JavaScript (including many libraries) and HTML5/CSS/SASS. I am as excited about generating a relational database as developing a sophisticated and user-friendly front-end.

Lastly, I love communicating with clients and coworkers. Presenting and making people laugh come naturally to me.

Outside of web development, I'm an artist and avid reader, so the list of Position Development's list of clients are of high interest to me. For instance, I would love to work on engineering the front end of Jacobin to allow for endless scrolling of their articles and intuitive navigation.

Sincerely,

Gerardo Veltri