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John L. Oberdorfer
Patton Boggs Foundation
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Dear John,

I am pleased to share with you information about Lowry Pressly '11 as the Patton Boggs Public Policy Fellow for the summer of 2009.

Lowry Pressly was born and raised in Statesville, North Carolina. After high school, Lowry enrolled at the University of Georgia where he studied creative writing and Spanish literature. After graduating *summa cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa from UGA, Lowry moved to Ho, Ghana where he worked as an elementary school teacher. He then went on to New York, NY where he worked as a freelance fiction writer. In the fall of 2008, Lowry came to Yale Law School, where he has focused on law and development, fundamental rights, and foreign policy. He is a senior editor on the *Yale Journal of International Law*. In 2009, as a Patton Boggs Fellow, he worked as legal advisor to the Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Liberia in Monrovia, Liberia. He also advised the government, press, and private sector of Costa Rica on achieving carbon neutrality goals as a member of the groundbreaking think-tank and action group Co2Neutral2021. He will work at the Equal Justice Initiative in Montgomery, AL for the summer of 2010.

As you may know, Yale Law School takes immense pride in our ability to foster innovative research and teaching related to the field of law, as well as to provide the resources needed to support students in achieving their academic goals. We are thankful for your meaningful commitment to the school through the Patton Boggs Public Policy Fellowship, which has an incredible impact on students' lives during their educational experiences and beyond. On behalf of the School, our students, and our wide-reaching community, I would like to thank you for your exceptional loyalty. If any questions arise regarding the use of the fund, please do not hesitate to contact me at (203) 432-2849.

Sincerely,

Susannah Stevens
Associate Director of Major Gifts

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Dear Mr. Oberdorfer,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am a second year student here at Yale Law School who benefitted from your generosity in the form of the Patton Boggs Fellowship. I spent this past summer working for the Liberian Government in Monrovia, Liberia and without your financial assistance this would have been impossible for me.

While in Liberia I reaffirmed my notion that a law degree is, for me, a way to maximize my good-doing-potential - getting into the karmic black, as it were. By negotiating strong deals (which I was a part of) with concessionaires, Liberia can raise standards of living while avoiding the exploitative agreements of the past. There is, of course, only so much one can understand through study, and by actually being there I was able to test my ideas, theories, knowledge, and often my patience.

The real thrust of my letter is that you and your firm, through your generous gift, enabled me to go places, do things, meet people, and share experiences that otherwise I would have only dreamed of. It was truly the opportunity of a lifetime and you made it possible. For this, I will always be grateful and hold Patton Boggs in the highest regard. If ever I can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Pressly', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lowry Pressly