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Dear Ms. Lawyer:

I write to apply for an Associate Attorney position with Dewey, Cheatem, & Howe. I am a licensed attorney with three years of legal experience following my graduation from the University of Wisconsin Law School, and I am eager to continue developing my career in Madison with a firm known for providing thoughtful, client-centered representation in family law matters. Your firm's reputation for guiding clients through complex and emotionally challenging situations with both skill and compassion strongly aligns with my professional values.

Over the past three years, I managed a diverse caseload in a small-firm environment, including family law matters involving divorce, custody, and support. I regularly draft pleadings and motions, prepare cases for hearings, advise clients through difficult circumstances, and contribute to litigation strategy from intake through resolution. This experience has sharpened my ability to handle sensitive issues with empathy and discretion while pursuing practical, client-centered results.

During law school, I prioritized opportunities to appear on the record and represent clients in contested matters. I first-chaired a successful deportation hearing in Chicago Immigration Court and later argued bail and custody issues in high-volume arraignment settings. I also first-chaired a misdemeanor bench trial, where my cross-examination helped secure a favorable resolution for my client. These experiences make me comfortable in the courtroom where both legal skill and good judgment are critical.

I am particularly interested in continuing my career as an Associate Attorney in a family law-focused firm where I can deepen my litigation experience while helping clients navigate personal and impactful legal situations. I am confident my background, practical experience, and commitment to clients would allow me to make a meaningful contribution to your firm.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to your firm.

Sincerely,

Jesse Johnson