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November 21, 2008

Ms. Jennifer Weddle
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Dear Jennifer,

Thank you very much for your support of the Named and Endowed Scholarship Program at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Your investment in our students makes a tremendous difference in their academic lives and helps provide an outstanding legal education for many deserving individuals. Without your assistance, we would not be able to attract and retain the best and brightest students to DU Law.

In recognition of your scholarship support, it is important that each student acknowledges your generosity and kindness. Enclosed, please find a thank you letter from your 2008-2009 scholarship recipient.

We look forward to having you join us at this year's Named and Endowed Scholarship Reception, where you will have the opportunity to meet your student scholarship recipient and see the direct impact of your philanthropy. This year's event will take place on January 29th, 2009, at 6:00pm in the law school Forum. Please look for a formal invitation to arrive later this year.

I offer my sincerest thanks for your financial support, your enthusiasm for DU Law and for demonstrating the importance of academic philanthropy. On behalf of the entire law school community, including the dean, faculty, staff and student body, thank you for your commitment to the profession of law and to today's DU Law students.

Sincerely,

Dave Ruderman
Director of Annual & Special Giving
University of Denver Sturm College of Law



JESSICA MELSON
COLORADO INDIAN BAR ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP
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November 17, 2008

Ms. Jennifer Weddle
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Dear Ms. Weddle,

Thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the 2008-2009 Colorado Indian Bar Association Scholarship. It is such an honor to receive an award from such a prestigious association. I want to thank the Colorado Indian Bar Association for its generosity and belief in my abilities. This scholarship continues to drive me during my daily studies.

Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I spent much of my young life in Oklahoma. There, I grew up like many other children: my parents worked in blue collar industries and struggled to make a living in order to support their children. I often wondered what I would do as I grew older. Few of my friends or classmates had plans to go to college after graduation, but my parents had instilled in me a drive to go to college, even though they had never been themselves. I was financially able to achieve this goal with the aid of a softball athletic scholarship.

I set my sites on going to law school because I had a friend who was in her first year of law school. It was because of her example that, for the first time, I began to believe law school was something that I could achieve. I am currently in my second year of law school, and I will be the first attorney in my family. It is because of your generosity that I am financially able to achieve my goal.

Because of my own experience, I desire to communicate to other young students that if I can do it, so can they. To this end, I have volunteered at grade schools and coached other young athletes. I always try to instill in others the belief that they can achieve anything if they just work hard and believe in themselves.

While I am unsure of what I want to practice after graduation, I do plan to continue to be involved in my community. I think that it is important to interact with others in order to gain

knowledge and insight from them, and I hope to provide the same benefits for those I interact with. I believe in the importance of diversity, because it creates an opportunity for understanding persons from different cultures and backgrounds. I hope that one day I will be in the position to help someone financially so that they may achieve their goals, as you have done for me.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,



Jessica Melson



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