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Dear [REDACTED],

Congratulations! On behalf of the Harvard Law School Committee on Graduate Studies, I am delighted to offer you admission to Harvard's 2021-2022 LL.M. program! The dates of this year's program are from mid-August 2021 through May 26, 2022.

Your Harvard LL.M. Class of 2022 was carefully selected from a large pool of very talented applicants from around the world, and will consist of an incredibly diverse group of accomplished lawyers with a wide range of experience and perspectives. At HLS, you will join students from six continents at all stages of their careers and from every conceivable background who are poised to make major contributions to the legal academy and legal profession, as well as in the non-profit sector, government, business, and international organizations. The dynamism and diversity of Harvard Law School's student body and alumni network are a large part of what makes Harvard's LL.M. program so exceptional.

In addition to the opportunity to study and form lasting connections with others at the top of their fields, our students benefit from a remarkable variety of intellectual, professional, and extracurricular resources at HLS and throughout Harvard University. HLS is the premier center for legal education and research, housing the largest academic law library in the world, more than 20 in-house clinics, and 29 research programs and centers. HLS offers hundreds of courses and seminars taught by internationally renowned scholars (more than half of which have fewer than 25 students), and HLS students may also cross-register for courses at other Harvard schools, MIT, and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. HLS has multiple offices dedicated to advising students on academic careers and public and private sector employment. And with over 100 student organizations as well as student practice organizations and journals, the range of co-curricular and extracurricular opportunities at HLS far exceeds that at other law schools.

Within the Law School's vibrant atmosphere, the faculty and staff affiliated with the Graduate Program are dedicated to fostering a special sense of community among the LL.M. students and enabling them to make the most of their many opportunities at Harvard. We arrange special workshops, lectures, luncheons, and other events specifically for LL.M. students, and we hope that you will choose to take part in these enriching, supportive, and intellectually stimulating activities.

Please note that, as stated in the application instructions, applicants who are offered admission are required to submit fully satisfactory hard copy official versions of their academic records immediately upon receiving their admissions decisions. Accordingly, your admission offer is subject to your providing a satisfactory official hard copy of each transcript and diploma you submitted for the application process (together with certified English translations, for documents that are not in English) **no later than May 1, 2021**. If your documents are not received by the required deadline,

we will not be able to maintain your place in the incoming class, and will instead place you on the waiting list. Please note that diplomas must indicate clearly and concisely what degree was awarded, to whom, and when. Language such as “completed requirements” or “completed coursework” will not suffice. If a degree will be awarded this spring or summer, you will need to submit official hard copies of the documents (including certified translations, if applicable) you previously submitted by the May 1, 2021 deadline. In addition, you will also need to submit official hard copies of the final transcript and diploma (and certified translations, if applicable) **by July 15, 2021**.

Since admission decisions are made without reference to financial condition, we are only now reviewing financial aid applications. If you have applied for financial aid, we will provide you with a financial aid decision in early April. To speed our processing of financial aid awards, please let us know immediately if you have been awarded any outside scholarships or received additional funding since submitting your financial aid application.

You will have until **May 1, 2021** to accept your offer and secure your place in the Class of 2022. To accept or decline the offer, please visit <https://graduateprogram.law.harvard.edu/apply/status>. (While we do not require payment of an acceptance deposit, please note that you should not accept the offer of admission until you are committed to enrolling in the Class of 2022.) If you decide to pursue other options instead, please let me know as soon as possible.

I hope you will decide to join our LL.M. Class of 2022, and I look forward to welcoming you to Harvard Law School in August.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Catherine Peshkin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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