Dear Student,

Welcome to Georgetown Law! This Student Handbook is a compilation of the academic rules, policies, and other important information that you will use to navigate through your time at the Law Center. While we hope you will use it to help answer the questions that come up during your law school career, please do not view the Handbook as a substitute for speaking directly with members of our law school administration. Toward that end, we have included a “Quick Guide,” which follows this letter, to provide easy access to the contact information of academic and personal advisors and other helpful Law Center personnel and offices. Our online version of the Handbook also has quick links to take you directly to the webpages referenced. While Georgetown Law is a large institution, we have tried to make this Handbook a user-friendly tool to help respond to your individual needs and concerns.

Please note that we expect you to be familiar with the contents of this Handbook relevant to your particular course of study. In particular, we want to emphasize the importance of complying with our Student Disciplinary Code, which is found on pages 102–110 of this Handbook. We expect our students to conduct themselves with the highest degree of honesty, integrity, and trustworthiness, as defined in the Code, whether in taking exams, completing written assignments, attending class, or participating in extracurricular activities.

We also want to make sure you are aware of the various resources available to you in addition to this Handbook. Online, you can find course listings and faculty profiles in the Curriculum Guide, as well as a host of other academic, personal, and career services through the “Student Portal” (accessible through the “Current Students” tab at the bottom left-hand corner of our main website). We hope you make good use of our Academic Advisors and the many other resources available to you as a Georgetown Law student.

We wish you the best of luck in the coming academic year.

Sincerely,

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