Cover Letter Template (Revised 5/16/18)

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[1 Return] Date

[2-3 Returns]

Person Title Company Street Address City, State Zip

Dear Person,

Introductory Paragraph

- 1. Please accept this letter as my formal application for the [job title] position at [company] as found [source].
- 2. Compliment about company and why you are interested in working there.
- 3. Thesis sentence highlighting two skills relevant to the position.

Supporting Paragraph I

- 1. Refer back to first skill in thesis statement.
- 2. Briefly describe a situation when you've applied that skill.
- 3. Discuss action taken in the situation.
- 4. Describe outcome of the situation.
- 5. Comment on how having that skill adds value to the position for which you are applying.

Supporting Paragraph II

- 1. Refer back to second skill in thesis statement.
- 2. Briefly describe a situation when you've applied that skill.
- 3. Discuss action taken in the situation.
- 4. Describe outcome of the situation.
- 5. Comment on how having that skill adds value to the position for which you are applying.

Concluding Paragraph

- 1. Summarize skill examples used as part of thesis argument.
- 2. Discuss how those skills add value to the company.
- 3. Please contact me at [phone] or [email] to discuss my qualifications further.
- 4. Say something like "thank you for your time and consideration" or "I look forward to speaking with you soon."

Sincerely,

[insert written or scanned signature; 2-3 returns between "Sincerely" and name]

George Bowman

Enclosure