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London

Dear Mr Bouchard

Thank you so much for considering my application for the role of Researcher at the Magnus Institute. I know I'd be a fantastic part of your team, and would love the opportunity to work for you. I have recently developed a deep fascination with paranormal phenomena, and I believe my skills would be perfectly suited to this job.

During my time at Trinity College, Cambridge, I studied Anthropology and developed keen research skills, as well as an appreciation for the work of the archivists at the university. I also got involved in a lot of extra-curricular activities, such as student theatre, the Cam FM radio station and the Footlights sketch comedy group.

After I graduated in 2007, I decided to pursue a career in publishing and joined Victory House as an editorial assistant the following year. It was a high-pressure environment, but I thrived on the pressure and gained valuable skills in communication, time management and teamwork. In 2011, I was promoted to editor, and gained a whole host of new responsibilities. I enjoyed my new role, and loved the opportunity to help authors reach their full potential, but after a couple of years, I began to find myself looking for a new challenge. Despite recently being offered a position as a senior editor, I realised that my academic curiosity was not being satisfied at Victory House.

I very much admire the work that the Magnus Institute does, and would be delighted to help your organisation discover as much about these esoteric subjects as possible. When I found out about your work, I began to research various paranormal incidents from across the country and found that I had an aptitude for uncovering previously unknown details about these cases. I am particularly interested in the work of Robert Smirke and how his architecture may affect the experience of these phenomena.

If you hire me as your Researcher, you will gain a hard-working, dedicated employee, who is always willing to go the extra mile and who gets on well with all his colleagues. My academic and professional experience have given me a diverse set of skills that would set me up well for this position. Please take a look at my attached CV for more information about my education, work history and skills.

Thank you very much for taking a look at my application, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours faithfully, JM:

Tim Stoker

*There's definitely a story here. Impressively opaque veneer of charming amicability over something very dark indeed. Typical theatre type, I suppose... no surprise he's keen on Smirke... Could fit nicely with the rest of the pieces currently settling into place. Worth a closer look.*