

April 13, 2009

Dear Roy,

Thank you for applying to Trials and for sharing your story with us. We regret to inform you that we will be unable to offer you a place in the 2009 Trials class. This decision was not easy: we received over 5,400 initial applications for just twenty spots, making acceptance to Trials more competitive than admissions to many of the leading law schools to which we are hoping to broaden access. In most cases, our decisions reflect not our assessment of an individual candidate's ability to succeed in law school, but rather the hard fact that we received applications from many, many more qualified and deserving applicants than we could possibly accommodate.

While we do appreciate that this decision may be a disappointment for you, we hope you will continue to pursue your interest in the law. Reading the personal statements of so many enthusiastic, outstanding applicants has inspired our great confidence in the next generation of lawyers. This admission cycle has only strengthened our conviction that increased diversity and inclusiveness at law schools will result in an influx of talent and energy to the legal profession.

We wish you continued success in all of your future academic and professional endeavors.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Loxton Associate Director

The Trials admissions process involves a holistic review of each Applicant's entire information package. No particular factor is assigned a fixed weight; rather, the process involves a highly individualized assessment of the Applicant's background, talents, achievements and his or her potential to contribute to and benefit from the Trials program. All admissions decisions are final and are not subject to appeal.