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**To:** Deborah AikenDeborahAiken@scstatehouse.gov  
Catherine McNicollCatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov  
**Date:** 1/20/2018 8:13:56 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Nishi Patel

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Please also put a copy on the LG's desk

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**From:** Deborah Aiken  
**Sent:** Friday, January 19, 2018 4:53 PM  
**To:** Catherine McNicoll; Danny Varat  
**Subject:** RE: Nishi Patel

Catherine/ Danny,

Attached is the draft Letter of Recommendation for Ms. Patel. Let me know if there are revisions necessary.

Thank you.

Deborah Aiken  
Administrative Assistant  
Lieutenant Governor's Office  
[DeborahAiken@SCStatehouse.gov](mailto:DeborahAiken@SCStatehouse.gov)  
803-734-0107 (telephone)

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**From:** Catherine McNicoll  
**Sent:** Friday, January 19, 2018 10:20 AM  
**To:** Deborah Aiken  
**Subject:** FW: Nishi Patel

Deborah,

There are examples of recommendation letters in the constituent Services folder on the computer. I also have my file log for this to give you.

Could you please draft the recommendation letter for Ms. Patel.

*Best Regards,*  
*Catherine McNicoll*  
*Director of Legal & Legislative Affairs*  
*Lieutenant Governor's Office*  
[CatherineMcNicoll@SCStatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@SCStatehouse.gov)  
803-734-5292 (phone)

**From:** Nishi Patel [<mailto:patelnishi20@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 18, 2018 6:57 PM  
**To:** Catherine McNicoll <[CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:CatherineMcNicoll@scstatehouse.gov)>  
**Subject:** Nishi Patel

Hello Ms. McNicoll,

First of all, I would like to thank you and Lieutenant Governor for writing me this recommendation letter. I would also like to introduce myself very quickly.

My full name is Nishi Ketan Patel

Bachelor of Science degree at University of South Carolina (2014-2017) is Biological Sciences

Major is Biology

Minor is Medical Humanities

My GPA when I graduated was 3.821

The physician assistant program will start in Fall 2018.

I am applying to physician assistant program and the application is filled out through a portal called CASPA. The letter is to be submitted via email through that portal so I wanted to ask for your permission if its alright to include your email address in the application as they will contact you through email.

In this email, I am attaching my resume, my academic transcript that will help you in writing the letter.

The recommendation letter is not targeted to a specific college since CASPA is a portal for all PA programs such that we can fill out one application but it can send it to multiple programs. So the recommendation letter as of now is pretty general and not directed to specific program/college as it will send the same letter to the colleges I have chosen to apply to.

I understand you are extremely busy and I really appreciate you writing this letter for me as it means a lot! If you have any questions, please let me know! Thank You!

Sincerely,

Nishi.