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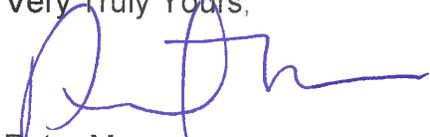
Dear Chief Mayer,

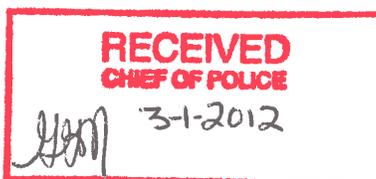
I write to thank you for the professionalism and dedication shown by your officers on one of my cases. Last week I conducted a jury trial with a defendant who, despite his young age, has impersonated a police officer on several occasions in order to steal money from unsuspecting citizens. Westley Johnson was convicted on Friday afternoon in Circuit Court, thanks in large part to the hard work of Officers Tim Garcher and Brian LaForest.

Officer Garcher sat as the officer-in-charge for the majority of the trial, and he provided invaluable assistance when discussing trial preparation and strategy. His testimony was impeccable, and showed the jury that a thorough investigation had been conducted. Though Officer LaForest ultimately did not testify, his hard work during the investigation resulted in a well-written report which helped resolve many issues in the case.

Both officers are a credit to your department, and have never failed to display the high standards expected of law enforcement professionals.

Very Truly Yours,


Peter Menna
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney



POLICE OFFICERS TIM GARCHER + BRIAN LAFOREST -
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROFESSIONAL HANDLING OF
THIS CASE. I APPRECIATE IT. IT IS GREAT THAT
YOU REPRESENTED TROY P.D SO WELL. 