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To Whom It May Concern

Mr. Robert Exter has worked with this department as a police artist for the past year. As a free agent, he has responded whenever requested to provide his services in major crime investigations.

His primary function has been to work with witnesses in drawing sketches of unidentified suspects, suspect vehicles, license plates, weapons and other unique objects to facilitate the investigations.

During this year period, Mr. Exter was used in ten major cases. Suspects were arrested in four of these cases. His sketches alone were the turning point in several investigations.

In January of 1978 a suspect in the mass slaving of six people was recognized from the sketch and also by information received during the investigation. January 1978, suspect in a series of forty armed robberies was identified and arrested when the sketch was released via the news media. In May of 1978, a suspect in a homicide/robbery was identified when his parole officer recognized him from the sketch distributed to local law enforcement agencies. In October 1978, a principal witness being sought in the unsolved homicide of two teenage girls was identified and interviewed when several detectives recognized him from a sketch done by Mr. Exter.

Mr. Exter has provided investigators of this department with an invaluable aid. He has proven himself to be conscientious in his talents, and trustworthy with confidential details in major investigations in which he has participated.

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