

September 26, 2017

Honorable Judge Moody:

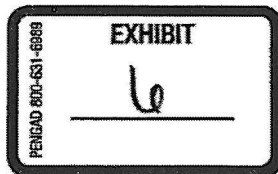
I was a Sergeant with the Lake County Sheriff's Department when John Buncich signed on as a patrolman. At that time John impressed me with his professionalism. I remember him as a thoughtful, respectful policeman who always was willing to jump in and help a fellow police officer, or someone who was down on his luck.

When I was Chief of Detectives, John came on as a detective and worked for me. He was very good at his job, took care of his assignments, with very little guidance from me. The entire time he worked for me as a detective, I had no problems with him. He took care of his reports and investigated them thoroughly.

Through out the years I have followed John's police/political career. I have always found him to be a good, honest man. John has done nothing different than any other politician has done county or state wide to fund his campaign. He had to have some means of raising money for his campaign. All politicians have to have fund raisers to be able to fund their campaign.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Don P. Kuzma*  
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September 27, 2017

Honorable Judge Moody,

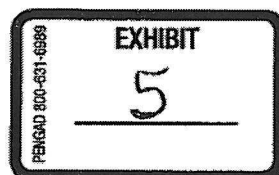
I have been employed in the medical department at Lake County Jail for almost 22 years. For most of those years John Buncich was the sheriff. I have seen many things that John Buncich has done; I've watched him give gift baskets to families that couldn't afford to provide for their children. He took a broken animal control center and has made it a no kill shelter. I've seen him stand proudly behind his officers. I've seen his sorrow when a police dog was injured in the line of duty.

I guess what I'm trying to get across is, that John Buncich is a good, thoughtful, honest man and I do stand behind him fully, believing in his honesty.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise J. Gross", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Denise J. Gross



Sept. 18 2017

To the Honorable Judge Moody:

My name is John A. Miceli and I am writing this letter to you in full support of former Sheriff John Buncich. I have known John for over 20 years both professionally and personally. I was a member of Lake County Sherriff's mounted posse since the early 1990's even before John became Sherriff. I have never known John to be anything but a dedicated servant to law enforcement and the community. It made no difference if you were black, white, Hispanic, Asian, Republican or democrat. John always handled himself with dignity and respect. My son Dominic is in collage now and is studying criminal justice partially because of John Buncich. John has known my son since he was born and was always around us and the posse. John encouraged Dominic to go into law enforcement and serve the community. In over 20 years I have never heard or seen John do anything illegal or in question of the law. I was never forced to buy or do anything by John or any member of the Lake County Sheriff's dept.

Please take this into consideration. John Buncich is a good man and life long public servant.

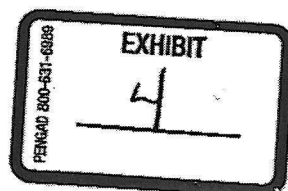
Sincerely,



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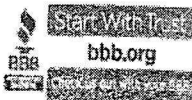
Your Honor,

I ask your leniency toward former Lake County Sheriff John Buncich at sentencing. I am disturbed because, of all of the aired and printed items about him since conviction, I am not aware of one positive thing cited about his character. I have something to tell about that and want to make sure you know of it, since I was not privileged to testify.

Soon after my business' founding, it attracted various advertising vendors, some more professional than others. One of the least credible, responsible and professional...yet among the most arrogant advertising reps...was a man who phoned me in 2007, from DuPage County, IL, representing himself as a Police Officer and member of a Lake County F.O. P. Lodge. With his failure to follow through on an ad proof, spelling my name wrong, becoming arrogant when I asked for his supervisor, and making it difficult for VISA to file a grievance against, etc., I essentially came to develop a negative image of Lodge members. A long believer in consumer rights, I told Officers of my frustration with this man wherever I encountered them. Most Officers responded rightfully and simply by disclaiming involvement. A Lake County Sheriff's Officer, by sharp contrast, said "I can't believe this. We let this party raise funds for the special programs since we are busy on the streets, we agree to them keeping eighty cents on the dollar and now this? I thought we could trust those people. We can't reimburse you for helping to straighten them out; but we can, and do, invite you to this year's F.O.P. State Convention, at the Merrillville Radisson, so you can market your Services to the Officers and their families." I accepted his invitation. When I arrived, the inviting Officer was not present and none of the associates was familiar with his offer. After a few frustrating minutes, one said "John will know...ask him." A few minutes later, at the door of the Hospitality Suite, I was introduced to the Sheriff. He took over twenty minutes to sit and speak with my associate and myself about my concerns and gave me his card: we have been fast friends since. He responds promptly and values my time as much as his own....he treats me as he would want to be treated. I've never given him a dime...only my complete publicly and privately stated faith in his integrity. He is a rare public figure, empathetic and helpful. He once described our meeting as "a good day for both of us." I agree, Sheriff.

Thank you,

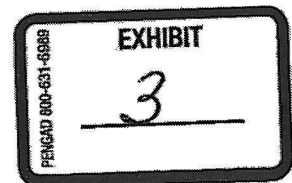
  
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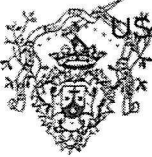


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**St. Joseph's Carmelite Home For Girls**

*Carmelite Sisters, D.C.J.*

**September 14, 2017**

**To: Honorable Judge Moody**

**Re: John Buncich**

**My name is Sister Maria Giuseppe. I am the superior and administrator of St. Joseph's Carmelite Home in East Chicago. I wish to thank you for taking time to review this communication that I am sending to you on behalf of John Buncich.**

**Former Sheriff Buncich has been our acquaintance and friend for some seventeen-plus years. In the year 2000, he approached our nuns about the possibility of opening a shelter for babies and young children who have been victimized by drug raids and other traumatic emergency situations. He said that many of these victims have to remain in police stations for long hours before their living conditions can be stabilized. We proceeded to do this at his request and today, this ministry is healthy and thriving. We credit John Buncich for his very evident concern and interest in the welfare of these poor children – hundreds have been cared for due to his instrumentality.**

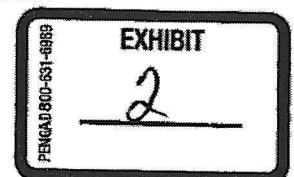
**Throughout the following years, John Buncich has never lost this devotion to our apostolate. He has visited our homes many times – always remembering our nuns and children with food items, toys, and drums and guitars for our boys unit. Mr. Buncich was also the President of our Carmelite Advisory Board and contributed his advice and solicitude for us in this capacity.**

**We, the nuns at Carmelite Home, have known Mr. Buncich to be a person of integrity. Although he held a highly demanding and responsible position in his professional life, he maintained a humble and unassuming presence among our sisters and staff. He was never less than a gentleman in his interactions with all of us at Carmelite.**

**Thank you again for allowing me to share my personal reflections about John Buncich. God bless you and guide you as you continue to listen and speak with an open mind in order to bring justice to our communities.**

**Respectfully,**

*Sister Maria Giuseppe C.D.J.*





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Honorable Judge Moody,

In the three years that we have known John, we have gotten to witness first-hand what a genuinely kind person he is. He has been welcoming to our family, he has offered support and generously donated to our charity in honor of our daughter, and he has not once shown any signs of the man that has been portrayed in the media. We have had numerous dinners with him, he has attended fundraisers with our family, and in every situation, he has proven to us that he is truly an upstanding guy through and through.

We hope that you will show him the kindness he deserves. We hope that you will take into account the amazing work he has done over the years for our community. We also hope that you will remember that he really is one of the good ones. John is honest, he's loyal, and he has worked hard to keep Lake County safe. But most important, John is innocent.

Sincerely,

*Joseph and Amelia Kowalisyn*

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Founders of Emma's Footprints

