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Prospective football referees:

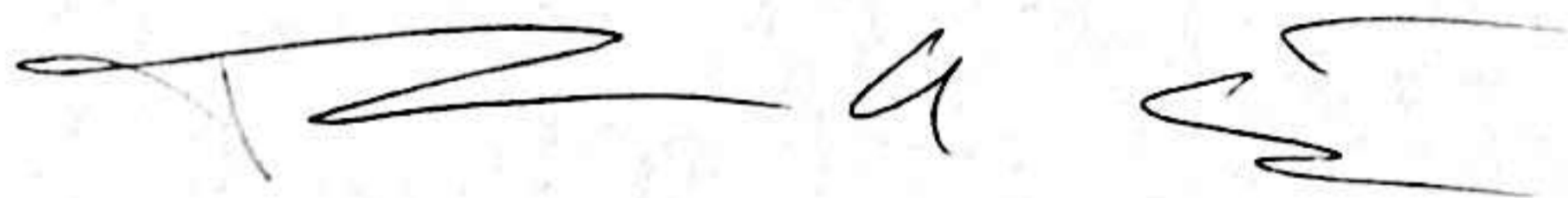
Jerry Davis isn't just an official on the football field; he's a sculptor of confidence, molding rookies into seasoned refs. I met him through officiating, but he's become so much more: a mentor and a friend with a huge heart, always looking out for those who are respectful enough to recognize what he has done for them.

Jerry's passion for the game is infectious, but it's his dedication to people that truly sets him apart. He doesn't just teach the rules; he builds confidence, celebrating victories like they're his own and patiently guiding through mistakes. When I was a young official who blew a call or mismanaged a situation, Jerry stayed with me replaying the play until his head held high again.

Those formative years helped me set the foundation for my path to becoming a college football official.

This man occasionally walks in stripes, but it's his kindness that truly shines. If you're looking for someone who elevates everyone around them, someone who embodies integrity and compassion, Jerry Davis is your man. He'll make you a better official, a better teammate, and, most importantly, a better person.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Coia', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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