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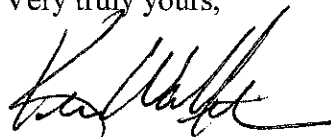
Dear Board Members:

Cynthia Stonebraker is an attorney who formerly worked under my supervision. I hired Cindy over many years ago, but first contacted her some years ago when I arranged for a presentation to the American Inns of Court by the Lawyers Helping Lawyers program. Cindy worked as an Intelligence Analyst for the Internet Crimes Against Children Section under my direction. When I hired her, I knew that Ms. Stonebraker had criminal record. She told me about it. There were many qualified applicants, but I hired Ms. Stonebraker because I was impressed with her heartfelt desire to make a difference in protecting children and families in Utah and my belief that it was an opportunity to hire a truly exceptional person.

Ms. Stonebraker was an outstanding employee. She left my division to accept a different position within the Office of the Attorney General. I know that hiring her despite a criminal record was a very smart move. Cindy had and still has the respect, admiration and affection of each and every one of her colleagues.

I have learned that there may be a conviction that was omitted from the original pardon that you granted. Ms. Stonebraker has earned a full pardon many times over through her service, her commitment and track record as an excellent mother, lawyer, community member and tireless advocate for the children of Utah. I spent several years as a felony prosecutor and am familiar with the requirements of a pardon petition. I strongly urge the Board to rectify what I believe to be an oversight. I unqualifiedly recommend that the pardon be granted. I would personally speak with you or anyone in your office that would like to discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,



Ken Wallentine

October 18, 2013

Utah Board of Pardons
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Dear Board Members:

I am writing in support of Cynthia Poulson, an attorney in my division in the Utah Attorney General's Office. I am the Division Chief of the Children's Justice Division. Cindy transferred from the Investigations Division and began working for the Internet Crimes Prosecution Unit in my Division in September 2010. She has been employed by the Utah Attorney General's Office since 2006.

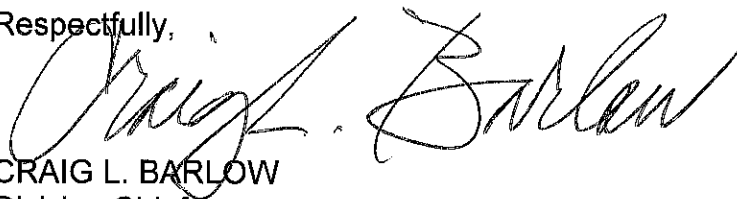
I have worked directly with Cindy on several cases both in her role as a paralegal and as an Assistant Attorney General. She is smart, thoughtful, and completely committed to being a competent and responsible professional. Cindy has received incentive awards due to her hard work and exceptional performance. I also consider Cindy a friend. I have met her very bright and personable daughter several times. Cindy is a wonderful mom and a good person. Cindy made serious mistakes when she was younger. She paid formidably for those mistakes. Everything I know about her convinces me that she has been working as hard as a human being can to be accountable for those mistakes. And, she is doing everything she can to make her current life valuable, worthwhile, and honorable.

In 2010 Cindy sought and received a Full and Unconditional Pardon from the Board for all of her crimes that were of record. She made that application after 13 years of no criminal activity of any kind, sobriety of 10 years, and a radical change in her personal life that emphasized responsibility and service. Recently, Cindy discovered that she has a 1997 case listed on Court Exchange that did not show up on her criminal record when she made the 2010 application to the Board. If this 1997 case had been captured in the 2010 application it would have been part of the Full and Unconditional Pardon. A federal mandate of criminal history checks for all employees of the Utah Attorney General's Office will cause Cindy to lose her job if the 1997 case is not expunged or pardoned before the end of the year. Such an outcome would constitute an incredible waste of talent and redemption. It would have devastating effects on Cindy's professional future not to mention the personal toll on her family and friends.

Cindy's timeline is short. It is imperative, if the Board is willing, that the overlooked 1997 case be part of the Full and Unconditional Pardon Cindy received three years ago or the subject of a new pardon if needed. Cindy's past includes significant criminal violations. More importantly, however, Cindy's present is admirable and positive. The interests of justice have been served for Cindy. She was incarcerated for her crimes, she was punished and she has changed. Cindy's personal life and her professional career warrant favorable action by the Board.

As Cindy's supervisor and friend, I wholeheartedly recommend to the Board that a pardon for this 1997 charge be granted. I would be happy to speak with anyone in your office about this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig L. Barlow". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

CRAIG L. BARLOW
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