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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Letter of Recommendation for SPC David J. Basaldua, 609-01-0174, 18th Military Police Detachment, Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613

1. I am honored to provide this letter of recommendation for David Basaldua, who has been a top-notch performer since his arrival on the Fort Huachuca Drug Suppression Team (DST), US Army Criminal Investigation Command. I directly supervised David for over 18 months and believe he would be an invaluable asset to any organization lucky enough to have him as an employee. He is a proactive investigator, who routinely went the extra mile to accomplish the various missions he was assigned, regardless of the circumstance or cost to his personal time.

2. While David's accomplishments were too numerous to list individually, below is a few of the most significant:

a. David initiated, assisted, and/or investigated over 90 felony criminal investigations while attached to the DST, achieving a solve rate of over 95%, identifying over 115 drug offenders, and obtaining a 96% confession rate. With only on-the-job training to serve as the basis for his knowledge and experience, David managed investigations equaled only by more seasoned investigators.

b. David was instrumental in assisting with the restructuring of the Drug Suppression Training Program, with which four newly assigned investigators were successfully trained and certified. As a result of his training efforts, our office was better equipped to complete countless covert surveillance missions and conduct five covert controlled purchases of cocaine, leading to the apprehension, conviction and incarceration of two dealers of illicit drugs, without incident.

c. David's attention to detail and commitment to excellence were evident in his performance of daily duties, while conducting DST operations and liaison with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, both on and off Fort Huachuca, AZ. His demonstrated knowledge and ability to positively interact with the Fort Huachuca community, as well as his dedication to the investigative mission contributed greatly to the outstanding reputation of the Fort Huachuca CID Office.

3. Any questions regarding this recommendation should be addressed to the undersigned at (520) 538-1382 or rob.washburn@us.army.mil.

ROBIN L. WASHBURN
Assistant Special Agent in Charge



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE
MILITARY JUSTICE DIVISION
US ARMY INTELLIGENCE CENTER AND FORT HUACHUCA
FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZONA 85613

February 13, 2008

Military Justice Division Chief

SUBJECT: Letter of Recommendation, David J. Basaldua

To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to have been asked to write a letter of recommendation for David J. Basaldua. I have worked with Investigator Basaldua on a nearly continuous basis for the past year, first in my role as a military prosecutor for the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, and in my current position as Special Assistant United States Attorney and Chief of the Military Justice Division for the United States Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.

David Basaldua is held in the highest esteem amongst the attorneys and paralegals in the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate at Fort Huachuca. He is known for his tireless work ethic, intelligence, and poise. I have personally prosecuted over ten high-level cases where Investigator Basaldua played a key role. I have also worked with him during the investigation process on over thirty cases that resulted in non-judicial punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, or in adverse administrative separation from the Army.

Investigator Basaldua has overseen numerous complex drug investigations, from initial tip to court-martial. In every stage of the process, he has handled evidence, witnesses, suspects, and defense attorneys with equal deftness and skill. When I have asked him to be ready to testify at a court-martial, he has exceeded my highest expectations. Without exception, he prepares himself to testify to such an extent that, on the day of trial, he has an encyclopedic grasp of the facts, the evidence, and the law. I have seen seasoned criminal defense attorneys become visibly frustrated and shaken in their utter failure to trip this young investigator up on cross examination. If a veteran prosecutor were to read the transcripts of David Basaldua testifying, he would surmise that David had 20 years of law enforcement experience. In my five years of practicing law, I have come across *no one* that I would rather have on the stand as a government witness.

I cannot recommend Investigator Basaldua highly enough for any role in the law enforcement, background investigation, or private security fields. My only reservation in writing this letter is that it might cause the United States Army to lose a truly irreplaceable asset to the private sector. Please contact me at mikel.wier@us.army.mil if I can provide any additional information.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mikel J. Wier", is located below the text.

Mikel J. Wier
Captain, Judge Advocate
Chief of Military Justice



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REPLY TO
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20 November 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Letter of Recommendation for David J. BASALDUA, 18th Military Police Detachment, Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613

1. I am the chief prosecutor at Fort Huachuca and have served in this capacity since January of 2007. Over the last year, I was responsible for the prosecution of military members and civilians. I worked with David Basaldua on a daily basis in relation to the investigation of felony narcotics crimes. I have also called Mr. Basaldua as a witness to testify at several pretrial hearings and trials.
2. Mr. Basaldua has been completely reliable in the performance of his duties. He is an investigator who perseveres when presented with a complex mission and puts in the effort necessary to ensure that all leads are pursued. When testifying, he has handled himself in nothing but a professional manner, despite attempts by opposing attorneys to confuse or enrage him. From among a selection of experienced federal agents I have worked with in a courtroom setting, I would unquestionably rate Mr. Basaldua's demeanor and the quality of his testimony in the top 5%.
3. I will truly miss the opportunity to work with Mr. Basaldua on criminal investigations. I strongly recommend him for employment in this capacity and would be happy to answer any questions about his performance. He is a top-drawer candidate.
4. Point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned at (520) 533-0588 or evan.seamone@us.army.mil.

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