

The Honorable Richard Jauch
Arapahoe County Court
1690 Littleton Boulevard
Littleton, Colorado

Regarding: Sterling Performance in Judicial Excellence

Dear Judge Jauch,

I am compelled by my respect and admiration for you to send a brief "thank you" for instilling a confidence in me that has never been engendered by any other judge I have appeared before or seen in action! When I come into your court room, I am sure that I will receive not only justice, but mercy and kindness as well.

In my experience, you stand alone as an **icon** of judicial probity and excellence in performance. I wish there were more professionals like you on the bench; the world would be a better place to liv

It is not I, alone, who hold this opinion of you. You would chuckle to hear how people talk about you in the "holding cells" while awaiting appearance before your court; they **love** you!

Mostly though, I want to sincerely thank you for the kindness you show to your fellowman. My heart breaks to see the trauma inflicted upon lives, families, careers and souls by an inhumane justice system. That, in itself, is criminal. You, alone, seem to shine as an angel of mercy in a very cold profession. . . Thank You!

Please understand that my compelling interest in writing this note is **only** to express my admiration of you as a model of Judicial Performance. I do not expect anything of you that you don't freely give to everyone who walks into your courtroom. I have personally observed your dealings with dozens of people by now and have never seen even a glimer or hint of the capricious, arbitrary and condescending attitude that is a hallmark of the Jefferson County Judiciary and commonplace in courtrooms across America.

It is my prayer that, as you retire, judges of your calibre will rise to fill your shoes. I don't know who your mentor or teacher was, but I truly hope that you will see fit to mentor other judges in the **Spirit of the Law** as you know it and apply it every day in your CourtRoom of Justice.

Coming from me, who may have sued more judges than anyone in the State, a letter like this may be a stigma on an otherwise spotless career. If it would not damage your reputation, please feel free to use this letter for any purpose that would be of benefit to you.

May **YHWH's** richest blessings rest upon you in all you choose to do in life.

Sincerely yours,



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