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**RE: Jonathan M. Bowman**

To Whom It May Concern:

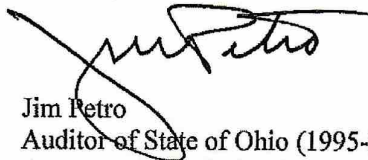
During my service as Attorney General of Ohio, I had the pleasure of working with former Senior Deputy Attorney General Jonathan Bowman. Early in my term, it became clear that where a section of the office needed change, reorganization or rejuvenation, Jonathan was a manager and leader who could achieve those results.

As we sought to modernize and re-direct the mission of the Charitable Law Section, Jonathan was promoted to the position of Deputy AG of that section, and in that role provided the leadership and vision to re-build that department. With those objectives accomplished, Jonathan was then promoted to be the Senior Deputy in Crime Victims Services. That very large section, as a result of Jonathan's motivating leadership, became a national model of innovative new programs and standards.

Jonathan's dynamic achievements brought him agency-wide recognition as a recipient of the Attorney General's Innovation and Excellence Award; and national recognition as the office received the National Notary Association 2005 Achievement Award.

The success of any organization is dependent upon its leaders. Jonathan Bowman, as a leader in our organization, was a motivator, an innovator, and a visionary, who brought success and achievement to the Ohio Attorney General's Office.

Sincerely,



Jim Petro  
Auditor of State of Ohio (1995-2003)  
Attorney General of Ohio (2003-2007)