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RE: *Application for City and County of Denver's Board of Ethics*

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is in response to your request for a cover letter and resume to accompany my previously submitted application for the City and County of Denver's Board of Ethics. I have enclosed a copy of my current resume.

To summarize, I have more than twenty-five years of experience as an attorney in private practice and currently serve as the Managing Partner of Rothgerber Johnson & Lyons LLP. In addition to the private practice of law, over the years, I have served my community in a variety of pro bono endeavors.

In the recent past, I served as the designee by former City Councilwoman Polly Flobeck to the Communities Facilities Task Force, and I am a past President and current Board member of the Cranmer Park Hilltop-Civic Association. I have also served as a member of various boards of directors, and as counselor to boards of directors regarding their ethical and fiduciary duties and responsibilities as board members.

Since 1998, I have served as counsel to the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, which was founded in 1948. The Academy consists of over 6,000 members who are professionals from a wide range of forensic sciences, including physicians, toxicologists, medical examiners, physicists, engineers and anthropologists. As a professional society that credentials professionals within the forensic sciences, the Academy is dedicated to the application of science to the law, and the promotion of education and professionalism in the forensic sciences.

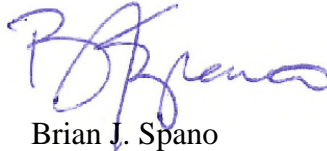
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The Academy maintains its own Code of Ethics, which is enforced by an Ethics Committee and a Board of Directors. My service to the Academy has included advice and counsel to the Committee and Board regarding a variety of procedural and substantive issues that have arisen in connection with ethical complaints against Academy members. I believe that this experience would be of service to the City's Board of Ethics, particularly given the Board's proactive emphasis on advisory opinions and prevention, as opposed to sanctions and remedial action.

I remain willing to provide you with any additional information you require. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you any questions or wish to discuss these issues further.

Sincerely,

ROTHGERBER JOHNSON & LYONS LLP



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