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Re: Grand Jury Investigation
Regarding CCWs

Dear Mr. Chase:

A grand jury operates as part of the charging process of criminal procedure, and its function is viewed as investigatory, not adjudicatory, in nature. (*People v. Brown* (1999) 75 Cal.App.4th 916, 931-932.) In performing its investigatory function, the grand jury decides if a crime has been committed and whether there is probable cause to indict the accused. (Id. at p. 931; *Cummiskey v. Superior Court* (1992) 3 Cal.4th 1018, 1026.) Probable cause exists if there is a "'strong suspicion'" of guilt. (*Cummiskey*, at p. 1029, italics omitted.) The grand jury conducts its investigation in secret, without notice to or participation by the defendant. (*People v. Superior Court (Mouchaourab)* (2000) 78 Cal.App.4th 403, 414-415.) The district attorney may appear before the grand jury to give information or advice or to question witnesses. (*Ibid.*)

Although the prosecution participates in the grand jury proceedings, it is essential to the proper functioning of the grand jury system that the grand jury operate independently of the prosecution. (*People v. Backus* (1979) 23 Cal.3d 360, 392-393.) The grand jury is viewed "as a protective bulwark standing solidly between the ordinary citizen and an overzealous prosecutor" and its mission "is to clear the innocent, no less than to bring to trial those who may be guilty." (*Johnson v. Superior Court* (1975) 15 Cal.3d 248, 253-254.)

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To fulfill its protective role, the grand jury is authorized to order the production of exculpatory evidence "to the end that the citizen may be protected from the trouble, expense, and disgrace of being arraigned and tried in public on a criminal charge for which there is no sufficient cause." (*Johnson*, supra, 15 Cal.3d at pp. 253-254.) This authorization is codified in section 939.7 which provides that although the grand jury is not required to hear evidence in favor of the defendant, if it has reason to believe there is evidence that will "explain away the charge" it should order production of the evidence.

Section 939.7 states: "The grand jury is not required to hear evidence for the defendant, but it shall weigh all the evidence submitted to it, and **when it has reason to believe that other evidence within its reach will explain away the charge, it shall order the evidence to be produced**, and for that purpose may require the district attorney to issue process for the witnesses." (Emphasis added.)

The Legislature later codified this disclosure rule in section 939.71¹. Section 939.71 provides that if the prosecution is aware of exculpatory evidence, it shall inform the grand jury of its nature and existence, and if the prosecution fails to comply with its disclosure duty and the

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Section 939.71 states: "(a) **If the prosecutor is aware of exculpatory evidence, the prosecutor shall inform the grand jury of its nature and existence.** Once the prosecutor has informed the grand jury of exculpatory evidence pursuant to this section, the prosecutor shall inform the grand jury of its duties under Section 939.7. If a failure to comply with the provisions of this section results in substantial prejudice, it shall be grounds for dismissal of the portion of the indictment related to that evidence. [1] (b) It is the intent of the Legislature by enacting this section to codify the holding in *Johnson v. Superior Court*, 15 Cal.3d 248, and to affirm the duties of the grand jury pursuant to Section 939.7." (Emphasis added.)

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failure "results in substantial prejudice," the portions of the indictment related to the undisclosed evidence should be dismissed.

Taken together, sections 939.7 and 939.71 codify the interplay between the grand jury and the prosecution. Section 939.7 describes the grand jury's investigatory function, and section 939.71 affirmatively obligates the prosecution to facilitate the investigation. Because it is unlikely the grand jury will learn of exculpatory evidence if the prosecution does not bring the evidence to its attention (*Johnson, supra*, 15 Cal.3d at p. 255), the indictment is deemed invalid if the prosecution fails to comply with its statutory obligation before the grand jury and the omission causes "substantial prejudice."

The fact that my client donated Sharks tickets for the February 14, 2019 game and received the renewal of his CCW permit on February 13, 2019 is not relevant unless he acted with the specific intent that giving the ticket was a quid pro quo for receiving the CCW permit renewal.

Under the circumstances you are obligated to inform the grand jury that there is no direct evidence that my client, Harpreet Chadha, committed any of the crimes under investigation. Moreover, the circumstantial evidence that exists that he provided the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Advisory Board with tickets to a San Jose Sharks event on February 14, 2019 and that his CCW permit, that he has been issued since 2009, was renewed on or about February 13, 2019 are subject to an interpretation that is innocent in nature. Given the two interpretations, you are obligated to inform the grand jury that they must adopt the interpretation that absolves my client.

Please inform the grand jury that before they can rely on circumstantial evidence to return a true bill, they must be convinced that the only reasonable conclusion supported by the circumstantial evidence is that the defendant is culpable. If the grand jury can draw two or more reasonable conclusions from the circumstantial evidence and one of those reasonable

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conclusions points to his innocence and another to returning a true bill, the grand jury must accept the conclusion that points to Mr. Chadha not being culpable.

You must inform the grand jury of the qualities of his good character including the fact that he served in the Army of India, from August 21, 1993 to August 20, 1998, as a paratrooper, with distinction, retiring as a captain. Attached, marked Exhibit A is a document certify his service in the Indian Army. Moreover, he has never been arrested or charged with an offense. Additionally, he is held in high regard by respected members of the community. Finally, it is your duty to inform the grand jury that over the years my client has donated his suite at the Shark Tank to many organizations and charities over the years. Prominent among those groups is the California Highway Patrol.

You are also required to inform the grand jury that evidence of my client's character for honesty can by itself create such a doubt as to whether he committed the offenses under investigation, that a true bill should not be returned.

Please advise the grand jury of the information contained in the attached exhibits that reflect my client's unique generosity in donating tickets to Bing School (a full box on nine occasions), Synapse School (full box on eight occasions), The Preserve (a full box on eight occasions), Foundation for Hispanic Education (a full box on six occasions) and the California Highway Patrol. As well as donations to the benefit families of CIA agents.

Attached, marked Exhibit B is an Excel spreadsheet compilation of the donations of Shark Tank tickets. Please note that full boxes of tickets were donated to the CHP on at least five occasions.

Attached, marked Exhibit C is a brochure reflecting one of the occasions when my client donated the use of his condominium in Mexico for a CHP auctions (see page two of the brochure).

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Attached, marked Exhibit D is a letter from Mike Elder who was the Northern California Coordinator for the CHP 11-99 Foundation from 1999 to 2013. Mr. Elder states that "Mr. Chadha neither asked for nor did he ever receive any benefit of any kind for his generosity . . . "

Attached, marked Exhibit E is a letter from Pack Fancher who is the CEO of Spookstock Foundation. Also attached, marked Exhibit F is a letter from Paul J. Toolan, Executive Director of Special Projects for The Spookstock Foundation.

Pack Fancher, the CEO of Spookstock Foundation states in his letter that Mr. Chadha has been one of their top fund raisers and has gone to great lengths to facilitate their fund raising efforts. He notes that Mr. Chadha has "done this selflessly and not to derive any benefit."

In his letter Lieutenant Colonel Toolan states that in personally donating to the cause of the Spookstock Foundation, Mr. Chadha and in supporting their programs both financially and materially, "[a]t no time has his benevolence been transactional, and in the entire time that [he] has know [Mr. Chadha] he has never asked for anything in return."

Attached, marked Exhibit G is a letter from Charlie Faas who is the Chief Financial Officer for San Jose State University. Prior to that he was the Chief Financial Officer for the San Jose Sharks. He was also the CEO of the USA Pavilion at the World's Fair in Milan, Italy in 2015. Mr. Chadha was a member of the Board of Directors of this entity that Mr. Faas states was the United State's number on diplomatic activity in 2015.

Attached, marked Exhibit H is a letter from John Poch who is the Executive Director of the San Jose Sports Authority. Mr. Poch has know Harpreet Chadha for fifteen years and believes that he is a man of integrity and honesty.

Attached, marked Exhibit I-1 is a letter from Stanley McChrystal, General (Ret.) and attached as Exhibit I-2 is his profile. General McChrystal is of the opinion that Mr. Chadha

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is an "honest individual that [he] judge[s] to possess integrity, loyalty and an exemplary moral character."

Attached, marked Exhibit J is a letter from Major Gorki Chandola (Retd.). Mr. Chandola has known my client since his early days in the Indian Army (1993) and is of the opinion that Harpreet Chadha was an outstanding officer "with [the] highest level of integrity and honesty."

Attached, marked Exhibit K is a letter from Captain Daniel Fillion, United States Navy who is Chief, Office of Defense Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, New Delhi, India. Captain Fillion notes that Mr. Chadha has taken a personal interest, with an altruistic motivation, in bolstering the relationship between the United States and Indian defense establishment.

Attached, marked Exhibit L-1 is a letter from Joseph H. Felter, Ph.D. who was formerly an Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense. Attached, marked Exhibit L-2 is a copy of his profile. Dr. Felter states, in his letter, that Harpreet Chadha has "unquestionable integrity." Moreover, he sets forth that Mr. Chadha has offered unqualified assistance building the United States-India relationship and that Harpreet's motivation to help is entirely selfless and based on his commitment to supporting causes that benefit United States national security interests.

To the extent necessary, I will provide assistance in facilitating the attendance of the above referenced witness or other related witnesses.

The allegations that my client was involved in a "conspiracy to commit bribery" (your letter to me dated October 22, 2020) are without substance. The only way that a conscientious grand jury may return a true bill against my client is if the prosecution interferes with the grand jury's independent investigatory function.

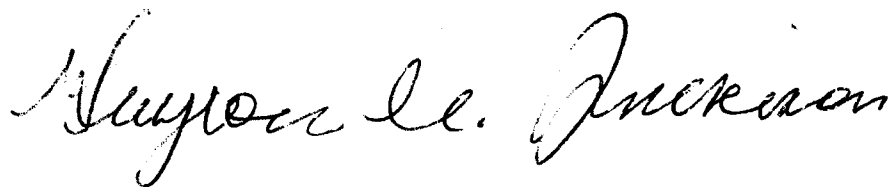
While the grand jury is expected to act independently and prevent unwarranted prosecutions, it must rely on the prosecution to present the evidence.

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Since the prosecution is statutorily required to inform the grand jury of the existence of material exculpatory evidence, if the prosecution fails to comply with its mandatory disclosure duty and the prosecutions failure undermines the grand jury's ability to perform an independent investigation, as it would here, this would be a significant indication that the disclosure suppression corrupted the grand jury's findings. (*Berardi v. Superior Court* (2007) 149 Cal.App.4th 476, 494.)

The truth is that Harpreet Chadha is a patriotic American citizen who vigorously supports our institutions. He has a long history of supporting the military and law enforcement. He has never sought nor received any benefit for his devotion to these institutions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Guyton N. Jinkerson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Guyton N. Jinkerson

GNJ:sbk

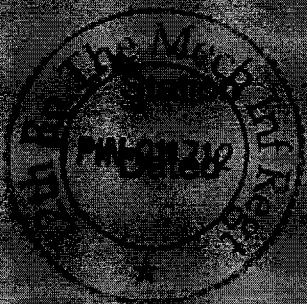
Enclosures

EXHIBIT A

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

1. It is certified that S.D. 25020101 Capt. Harman Singh Chaurha has been transferred from 12th Battalion The Mechanised Infantry Regiment with effect from 21 Aug 2019 to 20 Aug 2020.

2. The officer was highly motivated, professionally competent and capable to work in complex environment in the unit with exceptional devotion and high standard of leadership quality.



C/o 56 APO

12 Jul 2020

(Signature)
 Capt. Harman Singh Chaurha
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EXHIBIT B

DATE	EVENT	STATUS
4/23/2015	Ontario Reign Vs. Barracuda at 7:30 PM (Saturday)	6 TICKETS TO CHILDRENS DISCOVERY MUSEUM
7/18/2015	Portland Thunder, July 18 at 7:30pm (Sat)	SUITE DONATED TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
9/26/2015	Ducks (Anaheim) Vs. Sharks, September 26 at 6:00PM (Sat)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL
10/17/2015	Disney on Ice - Bare to Dream, Oct 17 at 11:00AM (Sat)	SUITE DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
11/7/2015	San Diego Gulls Vs. Barracuda at 1:15PM DH (Sat)	4 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
12/4/2015	Stockton Heat Vs. Barracuda at 7:30 PM (Fri)	6 TICKETS TO PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
1/18/2016	Condors Vs. Barracuda at 1:15PM (DH) (Mon)	6 TICKETS TO LA RINCONADA
1/26/2016	Colorado Avalanche Vs. Sharks at 7:00PM (Tue)	2 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
2/10/2016	Ontario Reign vs. Barracuda 7:30 PM	12 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
2/13/2016	San Antonio vs. Barracuda at 1:15PM (DH) (Sat)	6 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
2/13/2016	Arizona Coyotes Vs. Sharks at 7:30PM (Sat)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL
3/22/2016	St. Louis Blues Vs. Sharks at 7:30PM (Tue)	2 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
4/7/2016	Winnipeg Jets Vs. Sharks at 7:30 PM (Thurs)	4 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
4/16/2016	San Jose Spiders Vs. San Francisco at 7:00 PM (Sat)	4 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
5/14/2016	San Jose Spiders Vs. Seattle at 7:00 PM (Sat)	16 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
9/17/2016	Mana 8:00 PM (Saturday)	6 TICKETS TO THE FOUNDATION
9/27/2016	Vancouver Canucks at 7:30 PM (Tuesday)	6 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
10/1/2016	Marco Antonio Solis 8:00 PM (Saturday)	8 TICKETS TO LA RINCONADA
10/5/2016	Anaheim Ducks at 7:30 PM (Wednesday)	2 TICKETS TO PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
10/15/2016	Professional Bull Riders Built Ford Tough Series 7:00PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
10/31/2016	(R) Five Finger Death Punch and Shinedown 6:00 PM	5 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
11/17/2016	Kanye West Concert @ 9:00PM (Thursday)	4 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
11/19/2016	(R) Bellator MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) @ 4PM (Saturday)	8 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
3/10/2017	Bike Shelton at 7:30PM (Friday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
3/11/2017	Grand Rapids at 6:00 PM (Saturday)	10 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
3/12/2017	Barracuda vs. San Diego at 1:15 PM (Sunday)	20 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
3/29/2017	Game of Thrones @ 8PM (Wednesday)	4 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
4/16/2017	San Jose Sharks Playoffs (Game A) @ 7:00PM (Sunday)	3 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
4/21/2017	Barracuda Playoffs (Game 1) @ 7:00PM (Friday)	6 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
4/23/2017	Barracuda Playoffs (Game 2) @ 3:00PM (Sunday)	4 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
5/2/2017	Barracuda Playoffs (Game 5) @ 7:00PM (Tuesday)	4 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
6/4/2017	New Kids On The Block at 7:00PM (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
6/7/2017	Roger Waters Concert at 8:00PM (Wednesday)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS
6/10/2017	GLORIA TREVI & ALEJANDRA Guzmán (Concert) at 8.00 PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
8/1/2017	Bad Bunny @ 8:00PM (Wednesday)	SUITE DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
8/12/2017	Kendrick Lamar (Concert) at 7:30PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
9/16/2017	Marco Antonio Solis @ 8:00PM (Saturday)	6 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
9/18/2017	(T) WWE Monday Night Raw (Mixed Martial Arts) @ 4:30PM (MONDAY)	4 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
9/21/2017	Vegas Golden Knights at 7:30 PM (Thursday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
11/5/2017	Barracuda vs. Texas at 5:00 PM (Sunday)	12 TICKETS GIVEN AWAY TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL
11/16/2017	Sharks vs. Florida Panthers at 7:30 PM (Thursday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
11/19/2017	Barracuda vs. Ontario at 3:00 PM (Sunday)	20 TICKETS DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
11/20/2017	Sharks vs. Anaheim Ducks at 7:30 PM (Monday)	SUITE DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
12/21/2017	Sharks vs. Vancouver Canucks at 7:30 PM (Thursday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
12/22/2017	Barracuda vs. Texas at 7:00 PM (Friday)	12 TICKETS GIVEN AWAY TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
12/28/2017	Barracuda vs. Stockton at 1:15 PM (Thursday)	12 TICKETS GIVEN AWAY TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
1/13/2018	Sharks vs. Arizona Coyotes at 7:30 PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
2/9/2018	(T) Valentine's Super Love Jam (Concert) at 7:30PM (Friday)	4 TICKETS TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
2/14/2018	Disney on Ice - Follow Your Heart (Family Ice Show) at 11:00AM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
2/20/2018	Disney on Ice - Follow Your Heart (Family Ice Show) at 11:00AM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO BING SCHOOL
3/10/2018	Sharks vs. Washington Capitals at 1:00 PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
3/22/2018	Sharks vs. Vegas Golden Knights at 7:00 PM (Thursday)	2 TICKETS CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
4/7/2018	Sharks vs. Minnesota Wild at 7:30 PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
4/16/2018	Playoffs NHL Western Conference Quarterfinals: Sharks vs. Ducks at 7:30pm (Monday)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL
4/19/2018	Barracuda Playoffs Game 1	12 tickets to CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
4/20/2018	(T) Bad Bunny (Concert) 8:00PM (Friday)	4 TICKETS TO PRESERVE
4/24/2018	Justin Timberlake (Concert) at 7:30PM (Tuesday)	2 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
5/12/2018	Bellator MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) at 4:00PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
6/16/2018	Andrea Bocelli (Concert) at 8:00PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL

7/11/2018	Harry Styles (Concert) @ 8:00PM (Wednesday)	7 TICKETS DONATED TO ROBERTO CRUZ LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
7/14/2018	(T) 15th Anniversary Freestyle Explosion at 7:30PM (Concert) at 7:30 PM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
8/23/2018	(T) Chayanne (Concert) at 8:00 PM (Thursday)	4 TICKETS TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
9/2/2018	Monster Jam (Monster Trucks) at 1:00pm (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
9/7/2018	(T) Camila & Sin Bandera (Concert) at 8:00pm (Friday)	4 TICKETS TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
10/11/2018	Nitro Circus (Motorsports) at 7:30PM (Thursday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
10/20/2018	Sharks vs. Islanders at 7:30pm (Saturday)	2 TICKETS CIVICORPS
11/11/2018	Sharks vs. Flames at 6:00pm (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
11/17/2018	Sharks vs. Blues at 7:30pm (Saturday)	2 TICKETS SYNAPSE SCHOOL
11/20/2018	Sharks vs. Oilers at 7:30pm (Tuesday)	2 TICKETS SYNAPSE SCHOOL
11/23/2018	Sharks vs. Canucks at 6:00 pm (Friday)	12 TICKETS TO LA RINCONADA
12/2/2018	Ozuna (Concert) at 7:00PM (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
12/8/2018	Not So Silent Night (Concert) at 06:30 PM	6 TICKETS TO THE FOUNDATION FOR HISPANIC EDUCATION
12/10/2018	Sharks vs. Devils at 7:30pm (Monday)	2 TICKETS SYNAPSE SCHOOL
12/13/2018	Sharks vs. Stars at 7:30pm (Thursday)	2 TICKETS PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
12/20/2018	Sharks vs. Jets at 7:30 pm (Thursday)	2 TICKETS CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
1/5/2019	Sharks vs. Lightning at 8:00pm (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
1/7/2019	Sharks vs. Kings at 7:30pm (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
1/8/2019	Sharks vs. Oilers at 7:30pm (Tuesday)	SUITE DONATED TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
2/23/2019	Disney on Ice: Dare To Dream (Family Ice Show) at 11:00 AM (Saturday)	7 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
3/7/2019	Sharks vs. Canadiens 7:30 pm (Thursday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
3/16/2019	Sharks vs. Predators at 7:30 pm (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS SCHOOL
3/28/2019	Sharks vs. Blackhawks at 7:30pm (Thursday)	2 TICKETS CIVICORPS, 4 TICKETS CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
3/30/2019	Sharks vs. Knights at 6:00pm (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL, 2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS
3/31/2019	Sharks vs. Flames at 5:00pm (Sunday)	3 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
5/11/2019	Sharks vs. Blues at 05:00 PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
5/13/2019	Sharks vs. Blues at 06:00 PM (Monday)	2 TICKETS PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
6/10/2019	WWE Monday Night Raw (Wrestling) at 04:30 PM (Monday)	10 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
6/24/2019	Jeff Lynne's ELO (concert) at 8:00 PM (Monday)	2 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
6/28/2019	2019 Prospects Scrimmage at 07:00 PM (Friday)	4 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
7/17/2019	Hugh Jackman (Concert) at 07:00 PM (Wednesday)	3 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
8/4/2019	Backstreet Boys (Concert) at 08:00 PM (Sunday)	2 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
8/31/2019	Monster Jam (Monster Trucks) at 01:00 PM and 07:00 PM (Saturday)	8 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
9/14/2019	Kings of the West (Rap Concert) at 07:30 PM (Saturday)	6 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
9/17/2019	Sharks Vs. Ducks (Pregame) at 07:30 PM (Tuesday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
9/19/2019	Sharks vs. Flames (Pregame) at 07:30 PM (Thursday)	SUITE DONATED TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
9/29/2019	Pepe Aguilar (Spanish Concert) at 07:00 PM (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
10/4/2019	Sharks vs Las Vegas Knights at 07:30 PM (Friday)	2 TICKETS TO PRESENTATION HIGH SCHOOL
10/19/2019	Sharks vs Buffalo Sabres at 07:30 PM (Saturday)	5 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS
10/26/2019	Disney on Ice at 11:00 AM (Saturday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
10/27/2019	Disney on Ice at 11:00 AM (Sunday)	SUITE DONATED TO THE PRESERVE
11/1/2019	Sharks vs Winnipeg Jets at 07:30 PM (Friday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
11/2/2019	Sharks vs Vancouver Canucks at 07:00 PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
11/5/2019	Sharks vs Chicago Blackhawks at 07:00 PM (Tuesday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
11/6/2019	Luke Combs (Concert) at 07:00 PM (Wednesday)	6 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
11/9/2019	Sharks vs Nashville Predators at 07:30 PM (Saturday)	4 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
11/23/2019	Sharks vs NY Islanders at 07:30 PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
12/5/2019	Poptopia (Concert) at 07:00 PM (Thursday)	6 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
12/7/2019	Not So Silent Night (Concert) at 06:00 PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO THE PRESERVE
12/17/2019	Sharks vs Arizona Coyotes at 07:30 PM (Tuesday)	2 TICKETS TO CIVICORPS, 2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
12/22/2019	Sharks vs Las Vegas Knights at 07:00 PM (Sunday)	8 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
12/27/2019	Sharks vs Los Angeles Kings at 07:00 PM (Friday)	10 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
1/9/2020	Sharks vs. Columbus Blue Jackets at 07:30 PM (Thursday)	4 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL, 4 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
2/1/2020	Sharks vs Tampa Bay Lightning at 07:30 PM (Saturday)	2 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL
2/10/2020	Sharks vs Calgary Flames at 07:30 PM (Monday)	2 TICKETS TO JESSIE ORTIZ - SAN FRANCISCO COP
2/17/2020	Sharks vs Florida Panthers at 01:00 PM (Monday)	2 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

2/28/2020	Miranda Lambert (Concert) at 07:00 PM (Friday)	3 TICKETS TO SYNAPSE SCHOOL, 6 TICKETS TO BING SCHOOL
3/5/2020	Sharks vs Minnesota Wild at 07:30 PM (Thursday)	4 TICKETS TO CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
3/26/2020	Sharks vs Anaheim Ducks at 07:00 PM (Saturday)	
3/27/2020	Sharks vs San Jose Sharks at 07:00 PM (Sunday)	

EXHIBIT C

Two Major Milestones Reached in 2012

This year the CHP 11-99 Foundation is reaching two important milestones, thanks to the support of our generous members and donors: First, this is our 30th Anniversary of service to CHP families in providing much needed Emergency and Death Benefits and College Scholarships. Literally thousands and thousands of lives have been impacted in a positive and timely manner over these many years!

Secondly, in 2012, the 11-99 Foundation's total cumulative program support provided to California Highway Patrol families will surpass \$20 million! We offer our sincere thanks to all who have supported our efforts!

Scholarships

In 2012 the CHP 11-99 Foundation is once again awarding approximately \$1.2 million in Scholarships to deserving CHP daughters and sons. There were over 100 additional recipients than last year - nearly 865 in total qualified for and received a Scholarship this year! We hope you will agree that there is an ever increasing need for scholarship support especially given the high increases in tuition, books, and housing.

Your support is critical!

The Winner's Choice Car Drawing is the CHP 11-99 Foundation's largest, and one of its most important fund raising events of the year. Given the ever increasing need for scholarship support, it is critical for our friends and members to again make this year's drawing our most successful Winner's Choice Car drawing to date!

Please Purchase Your Car Drawing Tickets TODAY!

Whether or not you win one of our super prizes, YOU are a WINNER...you are helping families through their crises and making it possible for students to obtain higher education!

Thank you for supporting the CHP 11-99 Foundation!

Hall of Winners

CHP Officer, **John Warren**
CHP 11-99 Foundation Donors,

Mike Louther

Jerry Hjeltness

Seth Casden

The Kuzinich Family

John W. Souza

Cleo Blath

Joseph Silverman

John Fosmire

Don Gagliasso

2012:

Add your name to the Hall of Winners!

CHP 11-99 Foundation Car Drawing
2244 North State College Boulevard
Fullerton, California 92831

For more information please contact

Mike Elder 408-551-0422 or

melder@chp11-99.org

The winner is responsible for all other costs associated with the acquisition and award of the prize, including sales or luxury tax, license and registration fees, if applicable. The prize will not be delivered until after all of the applied taxes, license and registration fees are paid by the winner.

Void where prohibited by law.
The IRS position is that amounts paid for chances in raffles, lotteries and drawings for valuable prizes are not gifts, and consequently do not qualify as deductible contributions.

Drawing: October 15, 2012

(winners need not be present)



**Again This Year,
Back by Popular Demand:**

Winner's Choice Drawing

2013 Chevrolet

Camaro ZL1

Convertible

or \$50,000

Cash!



The 11-99 Foundation will sell a maximum of 2,500 tickets numbered 0001 - 2500 for only

\$100 each!

**Don't be left out...
purchase your
tickets today!**

Drawing: October 15, 2012

Set of Callaway

golf clubs & irons
or **\$1,000 Cash!**

Winner's Choice sponsored by
Sunol Valley Golf Club,
Pleasanton

\$2,500 Cash!

Pebble Beach Golf Links

Golf for four plus two nights for two couples
at the fabulous **Inn at Spanish Bay**
in Pebble Beach sponsored by

Pebble Beach Company

Winner's Choice

2013 Chevrolet
Camaro ZL1

Convertible

or \$50,000 Cash!

2013 Masters Golf

Tournament plus \$1,000

Two 1-day passes - you choose:

Friday, Saturday, or Sunday

Also includes one-night hotel stay with
complimentary shuttle bus between
the hotel and all day VIP hospitality at

'The Lodge on Heath' Chef
prepared meals! Premium

open bar, cigar rollers, valet
parking and many other

VIP touches!
Made available through

VIP Sports
Marketing, Inc.

\$2,000 Cash!

Tonight Show

VIP Tickets

for four

+ \$1,000 Cash

sponsored by

Jay Leno

Six-night stay in a

beautiful three-bedroom,
two-bath condominium at

Castita De Las Brisas

in **Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico**

+ **\$1,000 Cash** sponsored by

Harpreet Chadha and

Legacy Resources Group

Elegant

Rolex

Timepiece

(Your choice
up to \$5,000
retail value)

sponsored by

Gearys

Beverly Hills

EXHIBIT D

October 28, 2020

Mr. John S. Chase
Deputy District Attorney
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, CA 95110

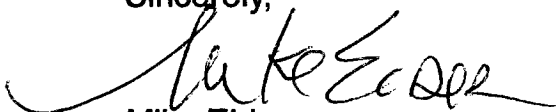
Dear Mr. Chase,

When I was the Northern California Coordinator for the CHP 11-99 Foundation from 1999-2013, I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Harpreet Chadha and coming to know him as a friend and supporting member over many years prior to my retirement in 2013. Mr. Chadha generously donated many items to support our efforts in raising funds for CHP families when facing a death or other crisis, and for scholarships for their children. In working with him I always found him to be a true gentleman of excellent integrity.

His donations over the years often included suite tickets to SJ Sharks games and SJ Arena concerts, as well as corporate sponsorships, all to support the success of our golf tournaments and other events and raffles and auctions. For at least five years he donated a week each year at his beautiful ocean front home in Mexico as a wonderful prize supporting the 11-99's annual Winner's Choice Car Drawing fund raiser. In addition he was generous in introducing his friends and clients to our efforts.

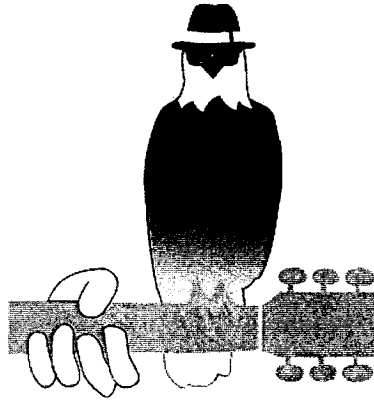
In those many years, please know Mr. Chadha neither asked for nor did he ever receive any benefit of any kind for his generosity, other than donation receipts the foundation provides to all donors for the value of their donations to 11-99 fund raising events. By so doing Mr. Chadha only reinforced my high regard for the level of his person and integrity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Elder", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Mike Elder
melder1199@aol.com

EXHIBIT E



October 20, 2020

John Chase
Deputy District Attorney, Santa Clara County, CA
West Wing, 70 W Hedding St.
San Jose, CA 95110

Re: Harpreet Chadha

Mr. Chase,

Spookstock Foundation is a 501c3 tax exempt organization (Tax ID #: 47-1018783). To check our bona fides go to www.spookstock.org/about.

Spookstock's mission is to raise donations and awareness for the families of fallen Special Operations and CIA personnel. At present there are over 1,000 children aged 0 to college age in the pipeline. To date Spookstock has donated \$3.6 million dollars toward the post-high school education of these children, entirely funding 162 college years.

Harpreet Chadha has been one of our top fundraisers, connecting our foundation to entrepreneurs and VCs in the Bay Area. He has gone to great lengths to facilitate our fundraising efforts, introducing us to CEOs and other ultra-high net worth individuals. He is done this selflessly and not to derive any benefit.

Harpreet is a man of action and a man of his word. We are delighted to send this letter of recommendation to you.

Warm regards,

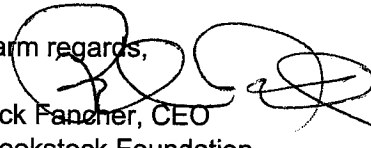

Pack Fancher, CEO
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EXHIBIT F



THE SPOOKSTOCK FOUNDATION
1408 Purcellville Gateway Drive Suite 553
Purcellville, VA 20132

27 October 2020

John S. Chase
Deputy District Attorney
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, CA 95110

Dear Mr. Chase,

I am writing to provide my unequivocal endorsement of the character, patriotism, and citizenry of Mr. Harpreet Chadha.

I am the Executive Director of Special Projects for the Spookstock Foundation. The Spookstock Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit that provides education funding, mentoring, and career placement to the children of United States Special Operations warriors and CIA Officers killed in action.

I first met Mr. Chadha when he participated in an immersive Special Operations Experience hosted by the Spookstock Foundation. Because of his service in the Indian Army Special Forces, Mr. Chadha and I immediately found common ground. I was struck by his unapologetic patriotism and genuine love of America, and impressed by his story of success from humble beginnings.

Over the last eight months Harpreet has been instrumental in recruiting patrons for the Spookstock Foundation. On two occasions he hosted us at his home, offering both lodging and introductions to potential donors. He has personally donated to our cause and supported our programs both financially and materially. At no time has his benevolence ever been transactional, and in the entire time I've known him he has never asked for anything in return. I have never felt compromised or indebted as a result of his generosity.

I am happy to discuss my relationship with Harpreet, and his history with The Spookstock Foundation at any time, and can be reached at paul.toolan@gmail.com and 910-578-4430.

PAUL J. TOOLAN
Lieutenant Colonel, Special Forces
Executive Director of Special Projects

EXHIBIT G



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County of Santa Clara
Office of the District Attorney
Attn - Deputy DA - John Chase
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, California 95110

July 9, 2020

Dear Mr. Chase,

I have known Mr. Harpreet Chadha and his wonderful family for over seventeen years. What initially started as a business relationship has blossomed into a strong personal friendship. It has been my absolute pleasure having Mr. Chadha and his family interact with my family and our growing circle of mutual friends.

I first met Mr. Chadha when I was the Chief Financial Officer with the San Jose Sharks. One of his business ventures was a new sponsor for the team. Those initial conversations gradually turned into a deeper business partnership. Mr. Chadha's entity started providing the healthcare and retirement benefits for the Sharks Organization. At his recommendation, he re-invested his profits into purchasing a penthouse suite for SAP Center games and events. I left the Sharks organization in 2013, but Mr. Chadha still remains deeply involved with the Sharks. Both have enjoyed many successes together.

After leaving the Sharks, I was the CEO for the USA Pavilion at the World's Fair held in Milan Italy in 2015. Our team was sanctioned by the Obama White House. Mr. Chadha was on the Board of Directors for this entity that the United States Government's proclaimed was their number one diplomacy activity of 2015.

For the past four years, I am serving as the CFO for San Jose State University. Mr. Chadha and I remain long term friends.

Lastly, I am an Eagle Scout, as is my son (daughter earned the Girl Scout's Gold Award). The twelve points of the Boy Scout Law, that have guided me and my family, come to mind when I think of who I choose to be friends with.

Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean and Reverent.

Mr. Chadha is a complete gentleman and everyone who I have had the pleasure to introduce him to, remembers him fondly... without exception.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

Charlie Faas

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Charlie Faas

EXHIBIT H



July 12, 2020

County of Santa Clara
Mr. John Chase
Office of the District Attorney
70 W. Hedding Street, West Wing
San Jose, CA 95110

Mr. Chase,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Mr. Harpreet Chadha in support to his exceptional character.

I have known Mr. Harpreet Chadha for approximately 15+ years from his role in supporting the non-profit community through the work of his organization, the Legacy Resources Group.

I have found Mr. Chadha to be a man of integrity and honesty. He is a community-minded individual who regularly puts the needs of others before his own – best evident through his involvement in supporting numerous non-profit organizations in Santa Clara County. He has led by example for the employees of Legacy Resources Group; both professionally and personally, on the need to support their community by providing their time and resources to serve the non-profit sector as volunteer board members.

Having served as a non-profit Executive Director in Santa Clara County since 2001, I have worked with many volunteer board members over the years, but few have shown the kindness, patience, determination and generosity as Mr. Chadha. He has always remained enthusiastic, humble and honest to our organization and has been terrific in connecting our work with his business network. Both Mr. Chadha and his staff have made a tremendous impact to our community through their ongoing support of our non-profit agencies.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of any further assistance in regards to Mr. Chadha.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Poch".

John Poch
Executive Director
408-288-2935

San Jose Sports Authority
408 Almaden Boulevard, San Jose, CA 95110
sjsa.org

EXHIBIT I-1

522 North Fairfax Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

October 28, 2020

John Chase
Deputy District Attorney
Santa Clara County, CA

Dear Mr. Chase,


I have known Captain Harpreet Chadha for several years, both professionally and personally. On the basis of all our interactions, I have found Captain Chadha to be a hardworking, tenacious, honest individual that I judge to possess integrity, loyalty and an exemplary moral character. He is a natural leader and a wonderful influence in the community.

He invited me to serve on the board of Rhombus Power (an Artificial Intelligence firm with tremendous potential for National Intelligence). He has since helped Rhombus expand the board of the company with well known high ranking military leaders and has helped expand the outreach of the company with the various intelligence agencies.

I have met with him and his family on several occasions and found him to be a devoted father and a family man. He has an impressive ability to connect with people and create win-win opportunities for both sides and has created business and employment opportunities for so many people in a short span of time.

From all I've seen, Harpreet bears a strong moral character and is highly dedicated and patriotic.

Respectfully,



Stanley A. McChrystal
General (Ret), U.S. Army

EXHIBIT I-2

McChrystal Group



Stan McChrystal

Founder and CEO

ALEXANDRIA, VA

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Stan McChrystal founded McChrystal Group in January 2011 to deliver innovative leadership solutions to businesses globally in order to help them transform and succeed in challenging, dynamic environments. As Founder and a Partner, he advises senior executives at multinational corporations on navigating complex change and building stronger teams.

EDUCATION

- B.S. United States Military Academy at West Point
M.S. US Naval War College

- M.S. Salve Regina University
- Completed fellowships at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1997 and at the Council on Foreign Relations in 2000.

Meet Stan

A retired four-star general, Stan is the former commander of US and International Security Assistance Forces (ISAF) Afghanistan and the former commander of the nation's premier military counter-terrorism force, Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC). He is best known for developing and implementing a comprehensive counterinsurgency strategy in Afghanistan, and for creating a cohesive counter-terrorism organization that revolutionized the interagency operating culture.

Throughout his military career, Stan commanded a number of elite organizations, including the 75th Ranger Regiment. After 9/11 until his retirement in 2010, he spent more than 6 years deployed to combat in a variety of leadership positions. In June 2009, the President of the United States and the Secretary General of NATO appointed him to be the Commander of US Forces Afghanistan and NATO ISAF. His command included more than 150,000 troops from 45 allied countries. On August 1, 2010 he retired from the US Army.

Stan is a senior fellow at Yale University's Jackson Institute for Global Affairs, where he teaches a course on Leadership. He also sits on the boards of Navistar International Corporation, Siemens Government Technology, and JetBlue Airways. He is a sought-after speaker, giving speeches on leadership to organizations around the country. In 2013, Stan published his memoir, *My Share of the Task*, which was a New York Times bestseller; and is an author of *Team of Teams: New Rules of Engagement for a Complex World*, which was a New York Times bestseller in 2015. Stan also co-authored *Leaders: Myth and Reality*, a Wall Street Journal Bestseller based on the epochal *Parallel Lives* by Plutarch.

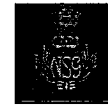
A passionate advocate for national service and veterans' issues, Stan is the Chair of the Board of Service Year Alliance. In this capacity, he advocates for a future in which a

year of full-time service—a service year—is a common expectation and opportunity for all young Americans.

Stan is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and the Naval War College. He also completed year-long fellowships at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government and the Council on Foreign Relations.

EXHIBIT J

Maj Gorki Chandola (Retd)
Defense Consultant
State of Uttarakhand



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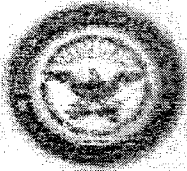
To,
John Chase
Deputy District Attorney
70 West Hedding Street San Jose,
California 95110

I have known Capt. Harpreet Chadha since his young days in the Army and he has always been an outstanding officer with highest level of integrity and honesty. He has always been extremely helpful to his team mates and has always excelled as a natural leader. His uncanny ability to solve problems in the worst conditions has always won him accolades amongst his Military hierarchy and his men that he commanded during his service. Being a second-generation officer, he has always spent his life in a very disciplined environment and loyalty and integrity in his tasks are a natural ingredient.

His general conduct during his service has been exemplary and he has been known to possess great leadership abilities with very high standards of performance as well as sincerity in his work. He has been a great example of dedication and hard work and possesses the highest level of moral character.

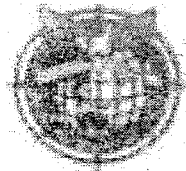
Warm Regards
Maj. Gorki Chandola (Retd)
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EXHIBIT K



OFFICE OF DEFENSE COOPERATION

*Embassy of the United States of America
New Delhi, India
New Delhi 110011*



July 13, 2020

The Honorable Mr. John Chase
Deputy District Attorney
County of Santa Clara
Office of the District Attorney
County Government Center, West Wing
San Jose, California 95110

Dear Mr. Chase,

I would like to provide my strongest endorsement of the personal character of Mr. Harpreet Chadha, a citizen of your wonderful country.

I have come to know Harpreet since my time being posted here in India as the Chief of our Embassy's Office of Defense Cooperation in 2018. Our main focus here is increasing the interoperability and mutual trust and understanding between the military forces of the United States and the Government of India. As a former military officer himself, Harpreet has taken personal interest in bolstering the relationship between our defense establishments. His motives are altruistic as he seeks to strengthen the linkages between the United States and our Major Defense Partner, India.

I can truly say that, even in my substantive encounters with him, Harpreet embodies all the characteristics of a responsible citizen. Although the bulk of our interactions have been on the professional level, my wife (who is also a California citizen) and I consider him a friend. I would advocate on his behalf when it came to any endeavor he would seek to undertake as he has my unwavering trust and confidence.

Should there be any questions about anything I have written here or a need for further insights, please reach out directly at fillionde@state.gov, or +91 11-2419-8290.

Very Respectfully,

Captain Daniel Fillion
United States Navy
Chief, Office of Defense Cooperation
U.S. Embassy, New Delhi

EXHIBIT L-1



CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND COOPERATION

John Chase
Deputy District Attorney
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, California 95110

October 28, 2020

Dear Mr. Chase,

I am writing to provide my wholehearted endorsement of Captain Harpreet Chadha and to vouch for his impeccable character, integrity, and patriotism. He is a consummate gentleman and professional with unquestionable integrity. I feel fortunate to call him a friend.

I first met Harpreet in 2017 while serving as US Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense with responsibility for advancing America's defense and security relationship across the Indo Pacific region to include South Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands. A mutual acquaintance of ours, Brigadier General Bucky Butow, the senior military officer in the Defense Innovation Unit, introduced me to Harpreet as a potential resource for supporting my Defense team's mission. Building the US-India relationship was and remains a major priority for the Department of Defense and entire US government. Harpreet was quick to offer his unqualified assistance and to leverage his vast networks within India and the US to help advance some of our main effort initiatives. Importantly, Harpreet's motivation to help was and remains entirely selfless and based on his commitment to supporting causes that benefit US national security interests.

When I transitioned from government service last year, Harpreet remained a valuable source of insight and advice in my work with a newly established National Security Task Force at Stanford's Hoover Institution. Harpreet also connected me with a cutting-edge AI company (Rhombus Power) that I now advise. Rhombus demonstrates significant potential to advance our broader national security interests by empowering predictive intelligence and other capabilities both within the US government and among our closest allies and partners abroad.

Prior to arriving at Stanford, I served a 24-year career as a U.S. Army Special Forces officer with diverse operational assignments and multiple combat tours. As part of my responsibilities leading and commanding numerous military units, as well as serving as a senior defense department official, I was required to assess and evaluate the character, loyalty, trustworthiness and many other qualities of many hundreds of men and women and to assess their potential to be trusted in challenging and often dangerous situations. With this background, I can confidently attest that Harpreet possesses the qualities and characteristics that we look for when entrusting our citizens with the highest positions of responsibility.

Respectfully,

Joseph H. Felter, Ph.D.
Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC)
Hoover Institution
Stanford Technology Ventures Program
Stanford University

EXHIBIT L-2

JOSEPH H. FELTER



Dr. Joe Felter is the former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for South and Southeast Asia. Dr. Felter served as the principal advisor to senior Department leadership for all policy matters pertaining to development and implementation of defense strategies and plans for the region. He was responsible for managing the bilateral security relationships with nations of the region and guiding DoD engagement with multilateral institutions.

Prior to joining OSD, Dr. Felter held teaching and research appointments at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Cooperation, the Hoover Institution and the Stanford Technology Ventures Program. At Stanford, he was Co-Director of the Empirical Studies of Conflict Project and Director of the Hacking for Defense Project, a defense innovation-focused academic curriculum sponsored by the DoD and taught at more than 30 universities across the country. His previous academic positions include Director of West Point's Combating Terrorism Center, Assistant Professor in the US Military Academy's Department of Social Sciences, and adjunct Associate Professor at Columbia University's School for International and Public Affairs. His research focuses on counterinsurgency and counterterrorism and has appeared in top peer reviewed academic journals and a range of other publications. Dr. Felter is co-author of "Small Wars, Big Data: The Information Revolution and Modern Conflict" forthcoming at Princeton University Press.

A former US Army Special Forces and Foreign Area Officer, Dr. Felter served in

a variety of special operations and diplomatic assignments. As a Special Forces A-Team Leader and Company Commander, he conducted Foreign Internal Defense and Security Assistance missions throughout East and Southeast Asia. While a military attaché in the Philippines, Dr. Felter helped develop the counterterrorist capabilities of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and provided training in negotiations and conflict resolution to the Government of the Philippines and Moro Islamic Liberation Front peace panels. He participated in multiple combat deployments including Panama with the 75th Ranger Regiment, Iraq with a Joint Special Operations Task Force and Afghanistan where he commanded the COMISAF Counterinsurgency Advisory and Assistance Team (CAAT).

Dr. Felter is Founder of BMNT a Silicon Valley based technology incubator and problem solving platform which Forbes magazine named as one of the nation's top 25 Veteran-Founded Startups in America in 2016. He served as a member of the Marines Memorial Board of Advisors and is currently a board member of Spirit of America, a nonprofit supporting the needs of US military members deployed overseas.

Dr. Felter received a B.S. from the United States Military Academy at West Point, Masters of Public Administration with a concentration in negotiations and conflict resolution from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Graduate Certificate in Management from the University of West Australia, and a Ph.D. in Political Science from Stanford University. He is a graduate of the Singapore Armed Forces Senior Service College and was a US Army War College Fellow at the Hoover Institution.