

## CHARACTER AFFIDAVIT

on behalf of

Kimberly A. Johns

*(print or type name of petitioner)*

In support of the application of the above named petitioner to the President of the United States for pardon, I, James A. Corry,

*(print or type name of affiant)*

residing at 3086 South Glebe Road, Arlington, Virginia 22206-2770,

*Number*

*Street*

*City*

*State*

*Zip Code*

whose occupation is U.S. Secret Service (Special Agent, ret.),

certify that I have personally known the petitioner for 7 years. Except as otherwise indicated below, petitioner has behaved since the conviction in a moral and law-abiding manner. My knowledge of petitioner's reputation, conduct and activities, including whether the petitioner has been arrested or had any other trouble with public authorities and has been steadily employed, is as follows:

I retired from the U. S. Secret Service on November 7, 1998, and am currently a telecommunications executive working in the Washington, DC area. Please see attached letter, but in case it is separated from this document: Kim Johns is an exceptional individual who made some bad decisions a long time ago; in the seven years I've known him and heard others speak of him, I can assure you that his current reputation is impeccable and his personal/business integrity and conduct are above reproach. I wholeheartedly endorse and support his pardon without reservation.

I do solemnly swear that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

James A. Corry  
*(signature of affiant)*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999.

JULIANNE PLOCKI  
Notary Public - District of Columbia  
My Commission Expires: 14 October 2002

Julianne Plocki  
Notary Public

**James A. Corry**  
3086 South Glebe Road  
Arlington, Virginia 2220

February 18, 1999

United States Department of Justice  
Office of the Pardon Attorney  
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Sirs,

On November 7, 1998, I retired as a Special Agent from the United States Secret Service after more than 22 years of service, and I am now working in the wireless telecommunications industry. Though I've known Kim Johns for the past seven years, I've been waiting the better part of three years to write this letter... a letter I would never have been permitted to draft while I was still a federal law enforcement officer.

I must admit that I have never had much use for convicted felons. I generally don't hang out with them, socialize with them, or even develop business relationships with them other than facilitating their arrest and incarceration! I've made an exception in the case of Kim Johns, and I can honestly tell you that he is the only individual with a felony record that I allow to have a personal relationship with my family or me. I consider Kim to be one of my closest friends...one of my most trustworthy friends...a friend with an impeccable public reputation...a friend whose personal integrity and honesty in the conduct of his personal and professional lives are quite frankly, above reproach. I count my friends on about two hands, and I trust Kim far more than most people I know who DON'T have criminal records.

As you well know, Kim made some bad decisions a long time ago, and he paid...and continues to pay...dearly for those decisions. I don't excuse his behavior at the time, but I also tend not to dwell on the past. The present and the future of Kim's life ARE important...and it's important to understand that Kim has more than just turned his life around in the years since his arrest and conviction. You've seen his pardon application file, and you can see the extraordinary contributions that Kim has made not only in his local community but also in his support of numerous military, law enforcement, and other public safety programs. Kim's contribution has gone beyond just helping out the government; he has literally placed his life in great jeopardy at times to help others...and has facilitated others in THEIR efforts to save lives.

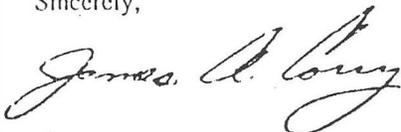
Kim needs this pardon just in order to do business. There are places in the world that he just can't go as a contractor in support of our own military, which has come to rely upon him...because of this conviction. There are certain government facilities he needs to visit to support government contracts...where access has been difficult because of this conviction.

I really believe that if pardons are being granted...then Kim Johns has certainly demonstrated all the behavior, conduct, and qualities...and all for a long time... that should reserve one for him. I implore you, and without reservation, to get Kim's pardon before the President for his signature. Please restore to Kim what his own immaturity and poor decision making a very long time ago...took away from him. He will not betray the privilege of a presidential pardon...he's the kind of individual for whom these pardons were designed.

I can assure you that I guard and protect my own reputation with great diligence. I'm not about to damage a reputation that I worked so hard to build serving my country for nearly 23 years. But I feel so strongly about this, that I invite you to call upon me to attend any meeting, conference, or hearing where I might have the opportunity to assist Kim in obtaining this pardon.

Please do not hesitate to call upon me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
U.S. SECRET SERVICE

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1976 - Present  
Special Agent, United States Secret Service

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## ASSIGNMENTS

August, 1997 - Present  
Senior Special Agent  
Intelligence Division  
Washington, D.C.

Plan and coordinate intelligence operations and support for the domestic and international protection of both the President and Vice President of the United States. Supervise radio communications center that is operational 24 hours per day. Oversee and coordinate work of special agents engaged in a variety of protective intelligence activities. Lead and coordinate teams of special agents and other law enforcement personnel in collecting, evaluating, and acting upon extensive and conflicting intelligence gathered through a variety of sources.

July, 1990 - July, 1997  
Program Manager, Water Safety Program  
James J. Rowley Training Center  
Laurel, Maryland

Designed, implemented, managed, and served as senior course instructor for courses in basic water survival, rescue swimming, diving, aircraft safety and evacuation, helicopter escape, emergency medicine, and river rescue for specialized security personnel. Supported nearly 40 other government and private sector organizations with special projects and technical support for security and protection in a maritime environment. Researched over 200 special projects evaluating, improving, and designing new equipment and creating new rescue techniques.

Supervised the final construction of an unique, \$6 million, 40,000 sq. ft. physical training facility which houses the Water Safety Program. This newly created Water Safety Program is a teaching and research curriculum responsible for meeting all of the aquatic training and operational requirements of the Secret Service. Planned, designed, and procured the integrated physical security systems for the facility. These physical security measures included intrusion detection, access control, locking hardware, telecommunications, and secure computer terminals.

Responsible for the facility's management and agency-wide selection and procurement of both standard and specialized aquatic equipment.

January, 1986 - June, 1990  
Hazardous Materials Countermeasures Branch  
Technical Security Division  
Washington, D. C.

Managed over 30 special projects which analyzed, examined, and investigated technical threats to the White House Complex and other facilities and personnel. This analytical process resulted in the design and implementation of countermeasures for those threats. Conducted over 150 technical security advances throughout the world in support of both the President and Vice President of the United States. Developed a comprehensive knowledge of physical security to include electronic security and physical safeguards, automated access control, threat assessment and terrorist target analysis, improvised explosive devices and military explosive ordnance, fire and life safety, firearms,

chemical/biological/radiological(CBR) hazards, x-ray screening, air defense, post blast investigations, ballistic resistant materials, and technical surveillance countermeasures.

During this period, helped create the Secret Service Critical Incidents Response Program. As a lead Peer Counselor in this program, participated in numerous critical incident stress debriefings (CISD), including the New York World Trade Center bombing.

January, 1981 - December, 1985  
Western Protective Division  
Thousand Oaks, California

Responsible for day-to-day security of President Reagan's children and conducted hundreds of security advances in support of their personal, social, and professional activities. Served as Training Agent for the division and organized and taught division courses in CPR, first aid, fire/water safety, and security.

June, 1976 - December, 1980  
Office of Investigations

Managed a case load of fraud, forgery, and counterfeiting investigations with responsibility for initiation, investigation, and adjudication of these criminal cases in both the Cincinnati and Los Angeles Field Offices.

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#### PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

Over 50 technical conference presentations and more than 20 published papers on explosives, physical security, aquatics, and critical incident response. Major publications include:

U.S. Secret Service *Protective Support Advance Procedures Manual* - author  
U.S. Secret Service *Diving Manual* - editor  
NOAA *Diving Manual* - contributor/reviewer  
NASAR *Public Safety Diving Manual* - editor  
*Sport Diving in Depth* - chapter author

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#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Academy of Underwater Sciences  
American Society for Industrial Security  
American Society for Training and Development  
American Society of Law Enforcement Trainers  
Federal Investigators' Association  
Federal Law Enforcement Officers' Association  
International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators  
International Association of Dive Rescue Specialists  
International Police Association  
Marine Technology Society  
National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI)  
National Capital Speakers Association  
National Spa and Pool Institute  
National Speakers Association  
Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society



U. S. Department of Justice

Pardon Attorney

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Washington, D.C. 20530

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Mr. Kimberly Johns  
33887 Slavens Road  
Warren, OR 97053

Dear Mr. Johns:

Thank you for your letter of February 19, 1999, with enclosures, providing an additional character affidavit from James A. Corry to supplement your application for presidential pardon. We have made the affidavit and enclosures part of your file.

Your application remains under consideration and you will be notified promptly when final action has been taken.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Adams  
Pardon Attorney

By:   
Samuel T. Morison  
Attorney