

BEFORE THE WEBSTER COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

CURTIS W. RUBY, Appellant,)	CASE NO.
)	
v.)	
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WEBSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE))	AFFIDAVIT OF PASTOR
)	DARRYL LANDSVERK
)	
Defendants.)	

I, Pastor Darryl Landsverk, swear and affirm as follows:

1. Since 2000, I have been the pastor at the Badger Lutheran Church. I met Curt Ruby shortly after I arrived in Badger. One of the first things I remember is his offering a bag of teddy bears to me from the trunk of his car. He had purchased them to give them to any child that he came into contact with in connection with his duties as a law enforcement officer. He told me that he would give each such child a teddy bear to help him or her to cope with the situation that brought law enforcement into his or her life. I believe that Curt Ruby cares deeply for young people and this is just one of many examples of that caring.

2. Another example is when he reached out and took one of his nephews who was having difficulty under his wing. I observed that that made a huge difference in the life of that young man.

3. Curt Ruby has helped me on many occasions. I run into situations where I need to understand the law or some types of human behavior. It is to Curt Ruby that I go to ask him for information and also for his wisdom.

4. I have also observed that he is extremely approachable. People in the church recognize that they can count on him. He is always gentle and kind and generous with his time and talent. He comes to church and helps us in his off hours.

5. About 2 years ago, one of our church members was caught in the cycle of domestic violence. With Curt's help, we were able to get the woman out of the situation and into the domestic violence shelter. Curt is always interested in helping the defenseless.

6. He is a person who does not violate confidences. If I need to speak to him about private matters, I am always certain that those discussions will never go beyond the door.

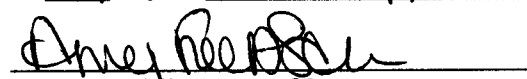
7. He gave a presentation to us about his trip to Ground Zero in New York City. He worked with law enforcement and firefighters under this most difficult circumstance. We were moved by his presentation.

9. When I learned that Curt Ruby had been discharged, I was simply flabbergasted. I cannot imagine any person better suited for law enforcement than Curt Ruby. He is a caring person of great integrity and it seems to me like those are the qualities most needed in law enforcement people. He is also a person of courage and is willing to take whatever steps are necessary to protect others.

I hereby swear and affirm that the above and foregoing are matters within my personal knowledge and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Pastor Darryl Landsverk

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of March, 2008.


Notary Public State of Iowa

