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The Claude W. Pettit College of Law Office of the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

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David M. Gormley State Solicitor of Ohio Ohio Attorney General's Office 30 East Broad Street, 17th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Simon Karas Fellowship

Dear Mr. Gormley:

This letter is by way of recommendation of John Michael Jurco for the Simon Karas Fellowship. I am the Associate Dean of the Pettit College of Law of Ohio Northern University and Professor Law. I highly recommend him.

John was a student in my criminal law class. He is an extremely dedicated student and has done well during his time here. He has an accumulative grade point average of 3.14 and ranks 16th out of a class of 71.

In addition, he served as a Hearing Officer in the Criminal Dispute Resolution Program of the City of Lima, Ohio, which I supervise. In that capacity he mediated disputes between citizens involving pre-litigation criminal allegations. He demonstrated an excellent ability to bring sometimes hostile parties to agreement.

Mr. Jurco is a quiet young man, capable of spending long hours in a research setting. He is a member of our Law Review, serving as lead articles research editor. He clearly has the potential for scholarly work. Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely

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