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AROOSTOOK COUNTY
PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 8

October 13, 2023

To: County Commissioners
Re: Permission to Hire

Gentlemen,

I am requesting that the County approve the hiring of

John Verno

As Support Staff Supervisor for the District Attorney's Office.

I appreciate your consideration of this request at your October 2023, meeting. Until then,

Be Well and Stay Safe,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Todd R. Collins', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Todd R. Collins
District Attorney, Aroostook County

Joyce Findlen

From: caesarlax@verizon.net
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 1:48 AM
To: Joyce Findlen
Subject: Victim Witness Advocate County of Aroostook.
Attachments: Verno_Resume (1) 2019 (1).pdf

08/02/2023

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to address my interest in the position of Victim Witness Advocate County of Aroostook.

I am currently a Police Officer for Central Berks Regional Department in Reading, Pa. I have been employed here for four years. As a result of my last department Oley Township disbanding its force, I was taken in by Central Berks Regional. Along with patrol duties I am also a part of the County Drug Task Force.

While employed at Oley, I was a Detective Sergeant, and had been employed with said department for 14 plus years. My assignments included, but not limited to lead investigator, Patrol, Crime Scene Tech, Evidence Custodian, a member of the Berks Drug Task Force, and Major Crimes Unit. I was also the school resource officer, for four schools while at Oley. I have had extensive experience working with all areas of the court system in the State of Pa., throughout my career.

I have also been an athletic coach for over 41 years, at various institutions and serving both as head and assistant coach at those schools, under numerous sports.

I have more than 30 years in law enforcement, and 40 plus years in public service. I was in education for over 16 years, taught at various educational institutions, and am certified in two states, Pa, NJ, in Social Studies.

I have attached a copy of my current resume for your perusal.

When requested I can supply you with my Professional References for letters of Recommendations.

I do maintain a residence in Sherman, Maine, and it is my hope I can make the transition up to Maine to continue my career in criminal justice.

It is my hope that my extensive background, and experience may warrant an opportunity to continue with the hiring process.

Sincerely,

JOHN A. VERNO

Police Officer, Educator, Coach

EDUCATION

Graduate Coursework
Education / Criminal Justice
West Chester University

Teaching Certification
Social Studies, Grades 7-12
West Chester University

B.S. Criminal Justice
West Chester University

Act #120 Certification
PA State Police Academy
#23510

OTHER TRAINING

County Detective School

Class "A" Certification (PA)

Instructor Development
Certification

Drug Interdiction Training

Drug Investigation Training

Crime Scene Technician
Training

PCLB Education Trainer for
Law Enforcement

Act 235 Certified

PROFILE

With almost four decades of experience in law enforcement, two decades of experience in the classroom, and three decades of experience on the field, I am a motivated, resourceful, and highly qualified police officer, educator, and coach who is extremely dedicated to and engaged with his community.

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE

CENTRAL BERKS REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT // 2018 - Present
Police Officer (Patrolman)

- Work as a member of the Berks County Drug Task Force.
- Responsible for controlling traffic, patrolling neighborhoods, responding to emergency calls, writing citations, delivering warrants, arresting violators, occasionally testifying in court, and providing educational outreach to the public to help prevent and solve crime.

OLEY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT // 2003 – 2017 (Department Closed)
Detective Sergeant

- Work as the lead investigator of all crimes (Berks County Major Crimes Unit, Berks County Drug Task Force).
- Perform all of the duties typical of a police officer, including patrol, traffic, and investigative duties.

HEIDELBERG POLICE DEPARTMENT // 2013 - PRESENT
Police Officer (Part-Time)

- Perform all of the duties typical of a police officer, including patrol, traffic, and investigative duties.

BOYERTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT // 2009 - PRESENT
Police Officer (Part-Time)

- Perform all of the duties typical of a police officer, including patrol, traffic, and investigative duties.

AMTRAK POLICE DEPARTMENT // 2004
Police Officer

- Responsible for protecting the major rail stations and tracks for Amtrak and Septa in the Philadelphia Division (Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland).
- Responsible for the protection of politicians, athletes, and dignitaries, including the Republican National Convention in NYC and the pre-Bush inauguration Ball in Washington, D.C.

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Police Officer, Educator, Coach



LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE *CONT'D.*

UPPER POTTS GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT // 1997 - 1999

Police Officer

- Performed all of the duties typical of a police officer, including patrol, traffic, and investigative duties.

WEST POTTS GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT // 1979 - 1997

Police Officer

- Performed all of the duties typical of a police officer, including patrol, traffic, and investigative duties.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

HADDONFIELD MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL // 2000 - 2003

Teacher

- Performed all of the duties of a regular teacher, including lesson planning, establishing rapport with the students and faculty, grading assignments, maintaining classroom management, etc.
- Responsible for teaching United States History and World Civilizations.

SALEM HIGH SCHOOL // 1999

Teacher

- Performed all of the duties of a regular teacher, including lesson planning, establishing rapport with the students and faculty, grading assignments, maintaining classroom management, etc.
- Responsible for teaching United States History and Phase II students.

MALVERN PREPARATORY SCHOOL // 1990 - 1996

Teacher

- Performed all of the duties of a regular teacher, including lesson planning, establishing rapport with the students and faculty, grading assignments, maintaining classroom management, etc.
- Responsible for teaching AP United States History, Contemporary America, Health, and Physical Education.
- Worked as the Assistant Athletic Director, Head Lacrosse Coach, Assistant Football and Ice Hockey Coach, Chairman of the Teacher Union, and Chairman of Health and Physical Education.

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE *CONT'D.*

VALLEY FORGE MILITARY ACADEMY // 1983 - 1990

Teacher

- Performed all of the duties of a regular teacher, including lesson planning, establishing rapport with the students and faculty, grading assignments, maintaining classroom management, etc.
- Responsible for teaching AP United States History, World History, Business Law, and Criminal Law.
- Worked as the Head Lacrosse Coach, Assistant Football Coach, and Wrestling Coach.

ST. PIUS HIGH SCHOOL // 1979-1983

Teacher

- Performed all of the duties of a regular teacher, including lesson planning, establishing rapport with the students and faculty, grading assignments, maintaining classroom management, etc.
- Responsible for teaching World Cultures.
- Worked as the Assistant Football Coach, Track Coach, and Basketball Coach.