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Re: Application of Mr. Robert Duane Dittman for United States Coast Guard JAG Corps

The Honorable John Cornyn c/o Mr. Jonathan Huhn South Central Deputy Regional Director United States Senator John Cornyn 600 Navarro Street, Suite 210 San Antonio, Texas 78205

Dear Senator Cornyn:

I am a fellow St. Mary's University School of Law classmate of Robert Dittman. Robert asked me to write to you in support of his application for acceptance as an active duty Coast Guard JAG officer. I wholeheartedly recommend him to you, and hope that you also will support his application. I have not known Robert long but Robert is the kind of person who makes a lasting impression. Robert goes out of his way to help others which is why I didn't hesitate to write this letter for him when he asked. Robert is naturally gregarious and makes others feel at ease but he is also not afraid to ask probing questions and quickly get to the heart of the matter. He is a good friend and a sharp mind.

With focus and determination Robert Dittiman has pursued his goal of practicing law as a member of the Coast Guard JAG Corps. Despite the obstacles Robert faces he has persevered and succeeded. I hope you will support Robert Dittman in his application. He deserves the opportunity to apply. Giving all Americans an equal opportunity to prove their qualifications is one of the essential tenets of democracy. Thank you for your support of democracy.

Sincerely,

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