

I, [REDACTED], declare as follows:

1. My name is [REDACTED]. a. I am a 41-year-old [REDACTED] worker, a husband, and a father of four children.
2. As a teenager with an absent father, I felt rejected in my own home. Looking for acceptance, I became involved with a street gang. This decision ultimately led to my arrest in 2003 and my incarceration.
3. While incarcerated I began to reconsider my life choices. I realized that my involvement with the gang did not bring the acceptance and sense of community I had hoped for, but instead, only led to shame. As a result, I began to deeply regret the decisions I had made as a teenager and young adult.
4. Since my incarceration, I have cut all ties with the people who served as negative influences in my past. Now, over twenty years later, I hope to finally move on, in both the eyes of the law and those of my community, from the bad decisions I made as a younger man.
5. In the years since my conviction:
 - a. I have completed three years of parole with no violations.
 - b. I graduated from trade school at the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] A as a trained electrician. Copies of my diploma and transcript are attached as **Exhibit A** and **Exhibit B**, respectively. I am, as noted above, now employed full-time as an [REDACTED] r.
 - c. I have been completely sober from any drugs or alcohol since 2016.
 - d. I met and married my wife, [REDACTED]. Together, [REDACTED] and I made a decision to leave my past life behind and pursue a healthy family environment. We have four wonderful children, two of whom we adopted. Copies of the adoption order and approval certificate are attached as **Exhibit C** and **Exhibit D**, respectively. The wellbeing of my wife and children has played a significant role in the reconsideration of my past life choices and has motivated me to continue to turn my life around.
 - e. I gave my life to Jesus over ten years ago. Since then, I have become heavily involved in my church, [REDACTED] s. As a part of my involvement with the church, I regularly volunteer with the usher team, altar team, and sound team. I also participate in many church events during Thanksgiving and Christmas. A letter of support from our pastor is attached as **Exhibit E**.
6. My wife, [REDACTED], is my biggest supporter. She believed in me when I did not believe in myself. Now, I have a purpose in life as I work to support my wife and children. We are raising our children to respect and believe in themselves so that they can accomplish their

goals and achieve their dreams. I want to break the cycle of familial dysfunction and raise my children in a healthy and loving home.

7. In addition to my wife, I have a large support system around me. Pastors from our church regularly invite me to social events and take time to invest in my continued development.
8. My criminal record has made it difficult to obtain employment in the past. Further, when seeking to adopt our children, my record caused delays in the approval process. I would be very grateful to not have the stigma of my conviction follow me through every step of my life.
9. I respectfully seek expungement of my convictions stemming from the poor decisions I made over twenty years ago. I want to overcome my past and bring dignity to my family. I hope to no longer be known as a former felon. Instead, I hope to be known as a loving father, husband, and follower of Jesus. I have learned from the mistakes of my youth and expungement of my convictions would help to give me greater self-confidence and also a small measure of validation of the man I have become. I hope to finally put these mistakes behind me and be judged solely by the content of my character going forward.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on _____.

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EXHIBIT A

Diploma

[attached]



This certifies that



has successfully completed the prescribed requirements in the

GENERAL ELECTRICIAN

course and is hereby awarded this

Diploma

as a mark of knowledge and in recognition of this accomplishment
in witness thereof, I have set my signature.

Given at Anaheim, California this fifteenth day of April,
in the year of our Lord, two thousand and eleven.

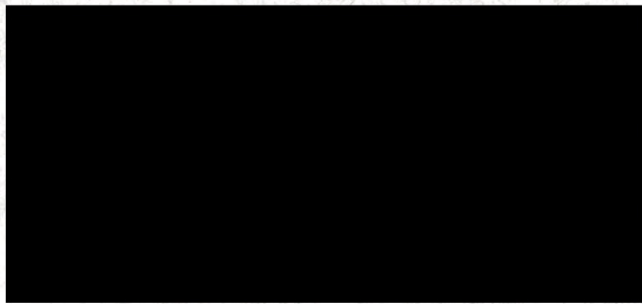


EXHIBIT B

Transcript

[attached]

Start Date: 9/13/2010
End Date: 4/15/2011
LDA: 4/14/2011
Current Status: GRADUATED

Official Student Transcript

222 S. Harbor Blvd., Suite 200
Anaheim, CA 928053758
(714) 300-0300

Academic Credits

Classroom Credits 57.50
Exam Credits 0.00
Transfer Credits 0.00
Extern Credits 0.00

Total Credits Earned 57.50 GPA 3.69

**GENERAL ELECTRICIAN
DIPLOMA**

Course Number	Course Name	Grade Date	Grade	Quarter Credits
EL121	AC LAB	10/14/2010	A	0.75
EL120	AC THEORY	10/14/2010	A	3.00
EL102	DC LAB	10/14/2010	A	1.00
EL101	DC THEORY	10/14/2010	A	2.00
MT101	COLLEGE MATHEMATICS I	10/15/2010	A	4.00
EL203A	MOTOR CONTROL	11/18/2010	B	5.00
EL203B	MOTOR CONTROL LAB	11/18/2010	A	2.00
EL202	POWER DISTRIBUTIONS	11/18/2010	B	4.00
C150	COMPUTER OPERATION SYSTEM LAB	12/24/2010	B	2.25
EL170	LOGIC CONTROL	12/24/2010	A	5.00
EL172	PLC LAB	12/24/2010	B	1.00
EL165	ELECTRICAL CODE A LAB	2/4/2011	B	3.50
EL164	NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE A	2/4/2011	A	6.00
EL167	ELECTRICAL CODE B LAB	3/11/2011	B	2.00
EL166	NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE B	3/11/2011	A	7.00
EL200	ADVANCED BLUEPRINTS AND CODE CONCEPTS	4/15/2011	A	5.00
EL201	ADVANCED BLUEPRINTS AND CODE CONCEPTS LAB	4/15/2011	A	4.00

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This record becomes an official transcript only when it bears both the raised seal and the original signature of a school official.

Signature

Title

Date

EXHIBIT C

Adoption Order

[attached]

ADOPT-215 Adoption Order

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed

FILED
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF ORANGE
LAMOREAUX JUSTICE CENTER

OCT 27 2021

DAVID H. YAMASAKI, Clerk of the Court

BY M.V. LUGOD-GARCIA, DEPUTY

1 Adopting parent(s)

a. Name: [REDACTED]
b. Name: [REDACTED]
Relationship to child: Paternal Aunt & Uncle
Street address: [REDACTED]
City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Zip: [REDACTED]
Daytime telephone number: [REDACTED]
Lawyer (if any) (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and State Bar number): N/A

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of Orange
Lamoreaux Justice Center
341 The City Drive South
Orange CA 92868-3205

2 Information about the child

Child's name after adoption: A [REDACTED]
First name: [REDACTED]
Middle name: [REDACTED]
Last name: [REDACTED]
Date of birth: [REDACTED] Age: 5
Place of birth (if known): _____
City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Country: A.

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

[REDACTED]

3 Name of adoption agency (if any):

[REDACTED]

4 Hearing details

Hearing date: [REDACTED] Dept.: L Div.: _____ Rm.: _____
Judicial officer: [REDACTED] Clerk's office telephone number: _____

People present at the hearing:

- Adopting parent(s) Lawyer for adopting parent(s)
 Child Child's lawyer

Parent keeping parental rights: _____

Other people present (list each name and relationship to child):

- a. [REDACTED]
b. _____

If there are more names, attach a sheet of paper, write "ADOPT-215, Item 4" at the top, and list the additional names and each person's relationship to child.

The hearing is waived pursuant to Family Code section 9000.5 (Check this box only if this is an adoption confirming parentage of a parent who was married to or in a state-registered domestic partnership, including a registered domestic partnership or civil union from another jurisdiction, with the legal parent at the time the child was born.)

Judge will fill out section below.

5 The judge finds that the child (check all that apply):

- a. Is 12 or older and agrees to the adoption
b. Is under 12
c. Is not required to consent because this is a tribal customary adoption.



ADOPT-215 Adoption Order

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[REDACTED]

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b. Name: [REDACTED]
Relationship to child: Paternal Aunt & Uncle
Street address: [REDACTED]
City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Zip: [REDACTED]
Daytime telephone number: [REDACTED]
Lawyer (if any) (name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and State Bar number): N/A

2 Information about the child

Child's name after adoption: A [REDACTED]
First name: [REDACTED]
Middle name: [REDACTED]
Last name: [REDACTED]
Date of birth: 1/05/2017 Age: 4
Place of birth (if known): _____
City: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Country: U [REDACTED]

3 Name of adoption agency (if any): Orange County Social Services Agency

4 Hearing details

Hearing date: [REDACTED] Dept.: [REDACTED] Div.: _____ Rm.: _____
Judicial officer: [REDACTED] Clerk's office telephone number: _____

People present at the hearing:

Adopting parent(s) Lawyer for adopting parent(s)

Child Child's lawyer

Parent keeping parental rights: _____

Other people present (list each name and relationship to child):

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EXHIBIT D

Approval Certificate

[attached]



County of Orange
Social Services Agency
Children and Family Services Division



RESOURCE FAMILY APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

In accordance with applicable provisions of the California Welfare and Institutions Code § 16519.5 and the California Department of Social Services Resource Family Approval Written Directives, the County of Orange has issued this

Approval to

[REDACTED]

to provide a **RESOURCE FAMILY HOME** at

[REDACTED]

RFA Number: 30-4842

Initial Approval Date: 6/8/20

Capacity: 2

Update Approval Date: 6/22/21

Reason(s) for Update (More than one reason may apply):

Relocation

Annual

Capacity Change Only- Date of Change:

Characteristics of Approval:

- Child/NMD-specific approval only
- Special Medical placement approval
- Documented Alternative Plan (DAP)
- Body of water

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On File | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approved | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Bodies of Water |

Conditions on Approval (if applicable): <specify conditions>

Additional Info / Matching Notes: The resource parents continue to be approved for two children, ages 2-18.

Authorized Representative of Approval Agency:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

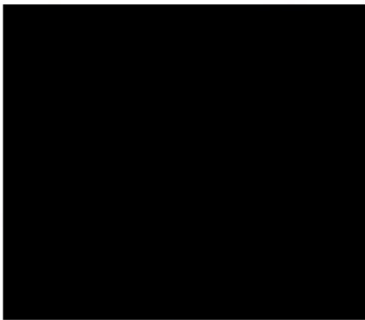
Printed Name

Signature

EXHIBIT E

Letter of Support

[attached]



Jun 30, 2024



Dear Your Honor:

My name is Pastor [REDACTED] and I have been [REDACTED] Pastor for the past 10 years . [REDACTED] is a valued member of [REDACTED] & I am blessed to write this character letter on his behalf. [REDACTED] is a Family Man who works hard to provide for his family and raise them in the church/ in the ways of the Lord. [REDACTED] and his wife have served in this church in various ways over the past decade. [REDACTED] has proven to be a man of integrity, honesty & respect. I know As a youth, [REDACTED] has had a criminal record (20+ years ago) and those decisions still haunt him to this day. Myself, and [REDACTED] are asking for you, Your Honor, to show him grace in the area of his past. He is not even the same man as he was 20 years ago. If you have any questions and or concerns regarding [REDACTED] or his involvement here at [REDACTED] or his character, please feel free to contact me at: [REDACTED]

