

April 8, 2011

To the Honorable Judge Gaiton
US District Court of the
Western District of Missouri

Your Honor,

In the five years I have known Dr. Christopher Elder I've been impressed with his dedication to any endeavor he has undertaken. He has demonstrated swerving strength of character at all times. Dr. Elder has maintained the highest principles, particularly with regard to patient treatment. He has prepared and positioned himself uniquely as an Algiatrist-a physician who is Board Certified in both Pain Management and Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Pain Medicine. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is a fellow of the American Back Society. He is member of the International Pelvic Pain Society. He is certified in the office-based treatment of opioid dependence. Dr. Elder has distinguished himself as one well certified to practice his craft.

Dr. Elder's services are highly sought after and professionally regarded within his community. Dr. Elder and I have collaborated on prior projects. His insight and acumen have proven to be not only helpful, but guiding. Complementary to his professional standing, if his compassion for those he serves within the community. Dr. Elder had the opportunity, upon completing formal training, to practice medicine from the ivory towers. Rather, he elected to position himself as a pillar of the community and provide care for those who have historically been underserved by the medical community.

~~Your Honor, Dr. Elder has been an asset to his community. He has buoyed upon his shoulders the competent, caring, and compassionate treatment for those who historically cannot ascribe to or attain the level of care he provides. His departure would further weaken the fabric of our community and leave a chasm that will not be filled.~~

It is my earnest prayer and petition that Dr. Elder be returned to his community to continue the patient care that no others with his credential, to this point, have done.

Sincerely,

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