

## **BAD SAMPLE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Dear Admissions Committee:

Today I write to you on behalf of John Johnson. I became acquainted with John when he took my Philosophy 205 class in fall of 2004. John did well in the class and received an "A" grade at the end of the semester.

John then took Philosophy 310 from me in winter of 2005. Again, he did well and was able to receive an "A" though the course material was very difficult.

John is a good student as evidenced by his transcript. He also has some excellent work experience and research experience that should aid him in law school. He was always prepared in class and worked well with other students. I think he would be a good candidate for admission at your law school.

Sincerely,

Joe Young, PhD

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Dear Law School Admissions Dean:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Susie Sand. Susie interned for me during my 2004 campaign to be re-elected to the United States Senate. Susie worked as an intern for several months under my head-campaign manager, Jill Jones. Jill reported to me that Susie was a hard worker during the campaign and worked well with the other interns.

Susie completed her internship satisfactorily in January of 2004. I believe she also earned several "A" credits from her internship instructor for the work she did for me. On behalf of myself and my constituents, I am grateful for Susie's work here. I am sure she will do an excellent job in law school.

Sincerely,

Senator Harry Thomas