

January 16, 2010

RE: Art Lynch

To whom it may concern;

I have known Art Lynch for well over 10 years in a professional capacity. Art was the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) elected National Board Member from Nevada and the elected Nevada Branch Council Member during my tenure there as the Nevada Branch's Executive Director and previously while I was a director in SAG's benefits organization (SAG-PPHP).

Art is extremely intelligent and passionate in the work he champions and the individuals he mentors and represents. As an elected official both on the national stage and locally, Art has demonstrated his communication skills during organizational and public presentations, discussions and debates.

As a multi faceted personality, he has worked ungodly hours to host an NPR show while teaching at the same time.

As an actor, organizational representative, radio host and teacher, Art has been able to interact effectively with a broad cross section of individuals with varying backgrounds in age and gender, ethnicity and cultural backgrounds, skills and professional levels, socioeconomic classes, political leanings and disabilities.

Art is very involved in the community he lives in. He has been instrumental in staging the "Dam Short Film Festival" showcase in Boulder City, Nevada as well as frequently giving tours there as a goodwill ambassador. We have testified together before the Nevada State Senate to persuade the legislature to enact production incentives to bring more quality work to the Nevada arts community.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely
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CDCR, DMH, DDS, DVA, Special Schools