



September 28, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to provide the following letter of recommendation on behalf of Tom Ballinger. As a Copley Township Trustee and a retired Copley firefighter, I have worked with Tom for the past fourteen years. During his employment, Tom Ballinger worked as the lead detective for Copley Township. Prior to Tom's employment with the Copley Township Police Department, he spent seven years in the United States Army ending his career as sergeant and three years as a Wayne County Sheriff Deputy.

During his tenure with Copley Township Tom has demonstrated outstanding leadership, common sense, devotion to duty and a strong passion to serve the community. Over the years I have found Tom to be highly professional and ethical with the upmost of integrity. In addition to the above, Tom has always been pleasant to work with and is highly respected by his peers.

It is my understanding that Tom is running for Wayne County Sherriff. With that, it is my pleasure to highly endorse Mr. Ballinger as I am certain that he would be a tremendous asset to Wayne County as Sherriff.

In closing, I give Tom Ballinger my highest recommendation and endorsement as the Wayne County Sherriff.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Bruce Koellner

Copley Township Trustee