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Re: Letter of Recommendation for Melanie Attard

I am a corporate securities attorney at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, a large law firm here in Silicon Valley that dominates the practice of high technology law nationwide. My practice area within Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati is primarily focused on providing a wide range of legal services to early-stage growth companies in the high technology industry. I have known Melanie since she began working in my practice group in October of 1999. Over the years, I have worked both directly and indirectly with Melanie on serving the legal needs of our client base and we have also managed to develop a personal friendship. Both professionally and personally, I am convinced that Melanie is a person of integrity, and I am confident that she would be a valuable addition to your organization.

From her first day on the job, Melanie has supported multiple mid- to senior-level attorneys who represent a significant number of public and private companies, and she quickly developed the necessary skills required to meet the needs of our fast-paced practice. Melanie has had primary responsibility over the maintenance of corporate client records, and she has played a key role in ensuring that our clients receive the highest level of customer service. Without exception, Melanie has repeatedly proven herself capable of handling an inordinate amount of responsibility and has always impressed me with her ability to complete assignments diligently and effectively.

Melanie's strong organizational and communication skills make her a valuable legal secretary, and I am confident that these same skills will serve her well in any position she chooses to pursue within your organization. Melanie regularly raises important questions to consider with respect to improving administrative processes and she has, on more than one occasion, accurately identified potential areas of concern. Melanie is definitely not one to stand on the sidelines and wait for others to raise questions and offer solutions.

As Melanie knows, representing Silicon Valley companies poses many challenges and offers many rewards. As lawyers and legal support staff, we often operate under a great deal of pressure. In an environment where simultaneous projects for different clients are the norm, we are often expected to complete tasks quickly and efficiently, and must be responsive to competing demands on our time. Melanie has proven herself to be very effective at handling such time constraints and operating under a great deal of pressure.

It is with great enthusiasm that I have prepared this letter of recommendation for Melanie. If you would like to discuss this matter in further detail, please feel free to contact me directly at (650) 565-3800.

Best regard M. Lynoh, Esa.

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