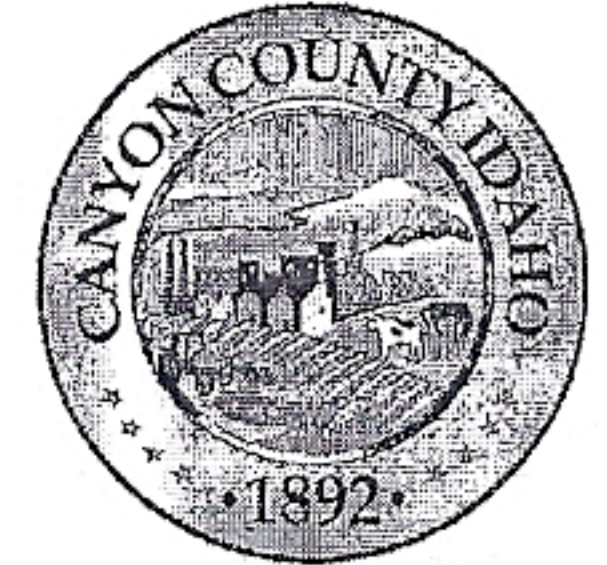


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Re: Legal Interns

Dear Mr. Kessler:

The Canyon County Prosecuting Attorney's Office is committed to providing hands-on learning opportunities to qualified legal interns interested in a career in public service. In addition to exposing a select number of motivated law students to the "real world" of criminal prosecution, our intern program functions also to provide my Office with free professional labor, resulting in potential cost savings to local taxpayers. I am interested in expanding this program, but not at the expense of professionalism or justice.

To that end, I respectfully request your assistance in educating these interns about the practical/procedural duties of an attorney appearing in your courtroom. The interns will be encouraged to seek out feedback from you about their in-court performance, and I (along with our other supervising attorneys) stand ready to address any concerns you might have regarding any issue related thereto.

As with any other effort made on behalf of my Office, I am determined that this intern program fully comply with both the letter and spirit of the governing law. To that end, you will find attached to this letter a certificate affirming the status and responsibility of myself and CCPA's 2012 legal intern Matthew Thompson regarding his upcoming "solo" appearances in magistrate court. In the interests of efficiency, I would respectfully request that this certificate, which has been lodged and filed with the Administrative Judge, be considered part of the court file for each matter on which Mr. Thompson appears during his time as a legal intern. If you would prefer that Mr. Thompson submit a separate certificate in court for each case on which he appears, please let me know and we will be glad to comply.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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