



April 14, 2009

Captain William Parker
16065 Olmstead Ln
Woodbridge, VA 22191

Dear Captain Parker:

Thank you for your efforts during the 56th Presidential Inaugural Ceremony held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Your work in providing support during this operation was recognized in a letter to my office from the United States Capital Police in which Chief of Police Phillip D. Morse, Sr. specifically mentioned your name and expressed his thanks for your efforts. A copy of that letter has been included for your review.

I understand the value of the work you perform on a daily basis and it gives me great pride when that same level of recognition comes from an outside agency. Thank you again and please keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. O'Connor".

John J. O'Connor
Amtrak Chief of Police

U.S. Department of
Homeland Security
601 South 12th Street
Arlington, VA 22202-4220



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August 10, 2010

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John J. O'Connor, Chief of Police
60 Massachusetts Avenue, NE,
Washington DC 20002-4285

Dear Chief O'Connor,

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to you and your department for the outstanding support the AMTRAK Police Canine Unit has provided the Transportation Security Administration ((TSA) National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program (NEDCTP). Specifically I would like to thank and commend Inspector William Parker.

The NEDCTP has been tasked with developing a methodology for explosives detection canines (EDC) to screen people for Person Borne Improvised Explosives Devices (PBIED). One of the methodologies under consideration is the Vapor Wake method that your department is currently deploying. Because there are several concerns within the organization over the utilization and deployment of canines to screen people in the transportation environment, the NEDCTP created a working group of subject matter experts to discuss these concerns and formulate a comprehensive plan to present to the TSA Senior Leadership Team. Inspector Parker graciously accepted our invitation to be an active participant in the working group.

Inspector Parker's knowledge of the Vapor Wake methodology and his overall experience with explosives detection canines has been an invaluable asset to the working group. His professionalism and cooperative spirit are truly noteworthy attributes that reflect highly upon him and your department. An example of his cooperative spirit was demonstrated recently when the working group requested a live demonstration of an AMTRAK Police Canine working the Vapor Wake methodology. Inspector Parker enthusiastically agreed to arrange for a demonstration to take place at Union Station in Washington, DC. Not only did Inspector Parker arrange the demonstration, but he also provided a detailed analysis of what the canine and handler were doing in the performance of their mission as well as answering all questions posed to him.

I commend Inspector Parker for his contributions and his commitment to the NEDCTP working group. Please pass on my personal thanks and appreciation for his efforts.

Sincerely,

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Sonya T. Proctor
Deputy Assistant Director
Office of Security Services and Assessments
Office of Law Enforcement / Federal Air Marshal Service

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August 25, 2010

Inspector William Parker
16065 Olmstead Lane
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Dear Inspector Parker:

I received a letter from Transportation Security Administration Deputy Assistant Director, Sonya Proctor, praising your participation in their recent National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program (NEDCTP). In her letter, the Deputy Assistant Director commended you for your contributions and commitment to the group. I am sending this letter and to personally thank you for sharing your knowledge and expertise in a manner that was so well received by the attendees.

I appreciate the effort you put into supporting this program and your continuing work devoted to managing the Amtrak Police Department K9 Unit. Please keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. O'Connor".

John J. O'Connor
Amtrak Vice President & Chief of Police

cc: Deputy Chief Edward Thornton
Inspector Linda Dixon



August 25, 2010

Sonya T. Proctor
Deputy Assistant Director
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Office of Security Services and Assessments
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601 South 12th Street
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Dear Deputy Assistant Director Proctor:

Thank you for your letter of appreciation regarding the support the Amtrak Police K9 unit provided the TSA National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program (NEDCTP) and commending Inspector William Parker for his assistance as an active participant in the group.

Inspector Parker's expertise in the field of canine explosives detection and knowledge in the relatively new field of vapor wake detection has been an invaluable benefit to the Amtrak Police Department. The vapor wake capability provides a state-of-the-art level of protection to the traveling public that was not previously available. I am pleased to know that the Inspector's participation in the NEDCTP working group was a valuable contribution.

We will pass on your words of praise to Inspector Parker. In the future, should you or members of the TSA National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program require the services of the Amtrak Police Department please feel free to contact us for assistance.

Sincerely,

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John J. O'Connor
Amtrak Vice President & Chief of Police

cc: Deputy Chief Edward Thornton



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December 20, 2011

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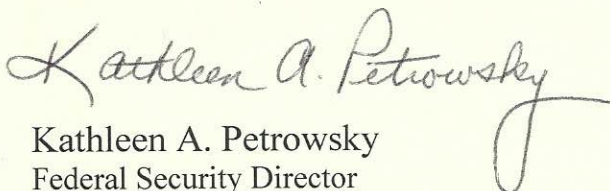
Re: Letter of Appreciation

Dear Mr. O'Connor,

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to three of your employees: Canine Trainer Al Janda, Handler Sergeant Mike Stoltz, and Inspector William Parker. Through the initiative and efforts of Inspector William Parker, the Passenger Screening Canine (PSC) teams of the Transportation Security Administration at O'Hare International Airport have been given the tremendous opportunity to train on a consistent basis with Trainer Al Janda and Sergeant Mike Stoltz in the Union Station mass transit environment in Chicago. This training began in May of 2011 and has continued on a twice per week basis. Through Inspector Parker and Trainer Janda's commitment to the TSA ORD PSC teams, these teams have shown significant progress in the vapor wake detection methodology, the ability to understand vapor wake methodology, and the ability to recognize the change in behavior in their canines.

Without Amtrak's support during these past 7 months, these teams would not have been able to achieve the success and experience that they have obtained thus far in this challenging program. It is partnerships like this that ensure the continued success of the TSA canine program and ultimately the safety and security of the traveling public. The TSA at ORD is extremely grateful for this opportunity and would like to recognize Amtrak for the commitment and continued support.

Best Regards,


Kathleen A. Petrowsky
Federal Security Director



June 18, 2012

Inspector William Parker
16065 Olmstead Land
Woodbridge, VA 22191

Dear Inspector Parker:

A letter was received from Chief David Mitchell of the Public Safety Headquarters at the University of Maryland, commending you for your assistance in the research and development process in helping him to establish an Explosives Detection K9 Program at the University.

I am sending this letter to personally thank you for showing such professionalism in a manner that was so well received.

I appreciate the effort you've put into the process and representing Amtrak so positively. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa A. Shahade".

Lisa A. Shahade
Assistant Chief of Police

cc: Inspector Linda Dixon