



Dear Sir or Madam:

The Greater St. Louis Area Council Advancement Committee requires each Eagle Scout candidate to solicit five (5) "letters of reference" to submit with their application. You have been selected to provide a letter of reference by Eagle Scout candidate:

You are asked to provide a separate letter (not this form) giving your frank and confidential opinion of the Scout's qualifications in the areas of character, demonstrated leadership, and their ability to live everyday by the Scout Oath and Law. Those are printed on the reverse side of this instruction letter.

Your letter, along with other components of the Scout's application, will be presented to an Eagle Board of Review at some future date. The Eagle Board of Review is made up of adult community volunteers and Scouters. At the successful conclusion of the Board of Review, members are instructed to destroy all letters of reference, no matter how complimentary these may be.

Your letter will be helpful if you comment on such qualifications as these:

- Are they active in the meetings and projects of organizations to which they belong?
- Do they accept and carry out responsibilities?
- Are they a leader?
- Do they help in their home, school, church or synagogue and community?
- How do they care for things that belong to them?
- Do they respect the property of others?
- Are they learning skills that develop self-reliance?
- Do they understand about and take part in the conservation of our natural resources?
- How do they use Scouting knowledge and skills in their everyday life?
- Do they exemplify what you believe to be a good Scout Citizen?

It is quite possible that you will not have information on all of these items, but the knowledge that you do have concerning this Scout will help the Eagle Board of Review in their interview with him.

When you have completed your letter of recommendation: (1) Please sign it and place it in an envelope. (2) Write the candidate's name, your name and the date on the front of the envelope. (3) **Seal the envelope and return it to the Scout.** They will present it to the Eagle Board of Review where it will be held in strict confidence and used only in the best interests of this Scout.

Thank you for your cooperation.