



CHIEF OF POLICE PARK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Senate Leadership,

As a chief law enforcement official for over 20 years, it has become abundantly clear to me that the future of our country is dependent on electing, appointing and supporting strong, dedicated leaders. These leaders at the federal, state and local levels must understand the need for a balanced government, focused on protecting the rights of citizens. It is for this reason I am writing in support of Margaret Plane's appointment to the Utah Court of Appeals.

I have had the pleasure of working with Ms. Plane for several years, and during that time I have been impressed with her knowledge of the law and her measured approach in legal application. Her experience as a city attorney has provided her with a broad array of knowledge and skills that will allow her to make judicial decisions in an informed, thoughtful and impartial way. Ms. Plane is one of the rare individuals who can effectively work with a broad array of individuals from varying backgrounds and perspectives. She has assisted our police department in traversing many complex matters in a way that was beneficial to all parties involved. Because of her experience in both civil and criminal prosecution, Ms. Plane understands how complex these matters can be; she also understands the impact on individual lives. We need judges at every level that have practical experience so they fully understand the impact of their rulings on individual citizens and families. Ms. Plane will be one such judge.

With nearly two decades of experience practicing law, extensive education, professional accomplishments, and professional service, Ms. Plane has illustrated her dedication to the law of the State of Utah as well as its people. It is clear that she will continue to serve well when appointed as an appellate judge. I cannot recommend her highly enough; she will be a great blessing to our state as she serves in this capacity.

Regards,

Wade Carpenter
Chief of Police