

July 14, 2019

Dear Jim,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your run for the position of Lee County Sheriff.

I have known you for 30 years and have worked with you professionally for twenty years at the Sheriff's Office.

While working with you I have always been impressed with your work ethic and dedication to the citizens of Lee County. On a personal level I have always been impressed with your integrity, honesty and moral code.

The Sheriff's Office has always been a brotherhood and sisterhood of fine employees who are dedicated to achieving positive results for the citizen's of Lee County. The leadership is now more interested in publicity than its primary function of public safety. It needs to return to it's 'open door' policy for both citizens and employees. Citizen's, employees and the media deserve answers to their questions and concerns and need to feel like their input or ideas are of importance. A strong relationship between the sheriff, employees and citizens is crucial for the office to run smoothly and effectively.

During my 35 year career, after serving in the Army, I have worked for six Sheriff's and have had much experience in observing various aspects of Command. There is no doubt in my mind that you are by far the most qualified candidate for Lee County Sheriff. The citizens of Lee County deserve the best and you are the man who can give them the best. For the aforementioned reasons, I wholeheartedly endorse you for the position of Lee County Sheriff.

May God Bless You and your family in this endeavor.

Sincerely,
Colonel T. Jeffrey Taylor (retired)