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Director
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2900 Appalachian Parkway
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RE: SGT. D.E. DUPONT
I.D. NO. 0627
Letter of Commendation
Gentlemen,

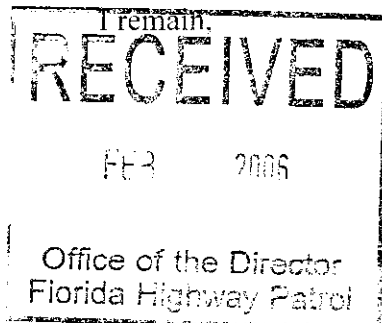
I was stopped for speeding by Sgt. D. E. Dupont, and I was clearly speeding.

His appearance, conduct and demeanor met the highest standard.

The image of law enforcement and its role in our society has been of continuing interest to me since I got out of the Army in 1967 and became a Deputy Sheriff. I was on the road for many years before I decided to go to law school. Additionally, my son has served here and abroad in the military police.

I feel the Highway Patrol is particularly challenged as an organization in regard to its public relations. It rarely has an opportunity to provide "positive reinforcement" to the public as its principal tasks are enforcing traffic safety laws and working accidents.

When I find an officer who comports himself with the level of professionalism I would like to see all of our law enforcement officers display, I have always taken time to write a letter to that effect. Regrettably, I have been able to write few letters over the years, but I am pleased to have the opportunity to write this one.



Very truly yours,

William H. Harrell