Justin R. Works

January 28, 2025

RE: Federal District Court of Alaska

To Whom It May Concern:

I submit my resume and this Letter of Interest for the Federal District Court of Alaska. I have been

an Assistant District Attorney in the Kenai District Attorney's Office since June of 2021. Prior to

this position, I held prosecutor jobs in both New Mexico and Texas. Alaska is my home; my wife

and I have set down roots in the community and have no intention or interest in leaving. It would

be an honor to fill this vacancy now and into the future.

I am a career prosecutor with a love of the outdoors and a passion for the job. I have handled cases

ranging from misdemeanors to murder. I have seen firsthand the challenges facing Alaska and

recognize the profound impact that having engaged jurists can have on the communities they serve.

I am a member of the Federalist Society, a card-carrying member of the National Rifle Association,

and while in law school I was an associate editor of the Corporate Counsel Review. Currently, I am

licensed to practice law in Alaska, Texas, and New Mexico. Strict adherence to the letter of the law

and precedent would be the guiding principles that would inform my decision making. My career

has seen me try cases in rural communities and urban areas. I would bring this experience to the

bench.

Attached is a copy of my resume for your review. References can be provided upon request.

Sincerely,

Justin R. Works

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### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

### Alaska Department of Law, Kenai District Attorney's Office, Kenai, Alaska

Assistant District Attorney – Attorney 4, June 2021 – Present

- Trial attorney tasked with prosecuting felonies ranging from 1st Degree Murder to DUI.
- Coordinate with probation and parole officers on violations
- Present cases to the Grand Jury for indictment
- I also sit on the board of the Central Peninsula Hospital Foundation

## Lubbock County District Attorney's Office, Lubbock, Texas

Assistant District Attorney, April, 2017 - May, 2021

- Responsible for prosecuting felonies including but not limited to drug crimes, weapons crimes, burglary, assault, kidnapping, sexual assault, robbery, larceny crimes, and felony DWI
- Case load ranging between 150 and 300 cases
- Special interest in financial crimes and fraud

#### 1st Judicial District Attorney's Office, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Assistant District Attorney, January, 2015 – April, 2017

- Responsible for prosecuting 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> degree felonies
- Handled misdemeanor DWI cases
- Appointed to be the office's representative at the Santa Fe County DWI Court Program

## **EDUCATION AND LICENSING**

### South Texas College of Law, Houston, Texas

Juris Doctor, May 2014

Awards & Activities: Corporate Counsel Review - Associate Editor; Mock Trial

## University of Houston - Victoria, Katy, Texas

Postgraduate studies – Management, 2010

# Baylor University, Waco, Texas

Bachelor of Business Administration, Marketing, 2008

Honors: Baylor Interdisciplinary Core, Honors College

#### Licensed to practice law in Alaska, Texas, and New Mexico

#### Completed CLE Courses:

2023 Alaska Prosecutor's Conference; 2023 Strangulation Investigation and Prosecution Seminar; 2022 Alaska Prosecutor's Conference; 2020 Texas Tech Mental Health Law Symposium; Capital and Non-Capital Training for Prosecution – 2020; Caseload Management – 2020; Legislative Update – 2019; 2019 Environmental Crimes Conference CIE in the Permian Basin - 2019; Handling Your First (or Next) White Collar Crime Case – 2019; Mandatory Online Brady Training – 2018; Legislative Update – 2017; Texas District and County Attorney's Association Trial Training – Summer 2017; New Mexico District Attorney's Association (NMDAA) Advanced DWI Seminar – Summer 2016; NMDAA Spring CLE Conference – 2016; NMDAA Spring CLE Conference – 2015; National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA) – Trial Skills for Prosecutors – 2015; Brady: The Law/ Brady: Practical Considerations – 2014 (Texas Bar CLE); Criminal Law 101 – 2014 (Texas Bar CLE) Advanced Criminal Law: DWI (Texas Bar CLE); Cross Examination Tips and Techniques – 2014 (Texas Bar CLE); The Art of Persuasion – 2014 (Texas Bar CLE); Handling Your First or Next DWI – 2013 (Texas Bar CLE); Appellate Advocacy in Criminal Law – 2014 (Texas Bar CLE)

# PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Dan Strigle

Assistant District Attorney - Kenai

Michael Evenson

Texas Attorney General - Transportation Division

Martin Law