



March 25, 1999

Boyd Law School, UNLV
Office of Admissions

To Whom It May Concern:

Mike Distefano has asked me to write a letter of recommendation for his application to the law school. Mike was a student in my Accounting 251 (Principles of Accounting) class several years ago. He earned an "A" with ease, and scored an "A" on each and every exam.

Mike has an incredible work ethic. He did *all* of the work, and always on time. On the exam questions he missed (maybe 3 the entire semester!) he came by the office to learn from his mistakes.

Finally, Mike has a great attitude. He was very enthusiastic about learning, and asked on-point questions during class.

I enthusiastically recommend Mike for admission to the Law School. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at 895-4658.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tony Cooco".

Anthony F. Cooco
Associate Professor of Accounting
University of Nevada Las Vegas



November 20, 2001

Nasser Daneshvary
Associate Dean
College of Business
University of Nevada Las Vegas

Dear Nasser:

I am writing to recommend Mike Distefano for admittance to the MBA program here at UNLV. Mike was a student in my Elementary Accounting class several years ago, and we have kept in touch ever since. He scored a very high "A" in the class. In my opinion, Mike certainly possesses the intellectual ability to succeed in any academic environment. With that as a given, in my letter I will focus on two attributes of Mike's that I believe set him apart from the vast majority of students that also possess a high degree of innate intellectual ability.

These two attributes are energy and aggressiveness. Mike was always on time, attended every class, paid close attention in every class, and asks thoughtful and relevant questions both in class and after class. He is very aggressive with regard to the number of courses he takes, and the rigor of those courses. Once enrolled in a course, he is very aggressive at getting the most out of that course. I've never seen him tired! I believe that students that possess such a high energy level have an excellent chance to achieve a high level of career success.

Mike has the intellect and work ethic we look for in graduate students, and would be a great addition to our program. I give him my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tony Cocco".

Anthony F. Cocco
Associate Professor of Accounting
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