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To Whom It May Concern:

I am very pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Debbie Marriner, and her company, Signs and Wonders.

Whiting-Turner awarded the Signage package to Signs and Wonders for Building 21 of the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab. JHU APL is a not for profit laboratory intended for conducting research and development for national security and non-defense projects of both national and global significance. APL is located on 360 acres in Laurel, MD, and employs approximately 3,900 engineers, scientists, and supporting staff across a broad range of disciplines.

This letter is to formally recognize Ms. Marriner and her company for a job very well done. Building 21 is a large, 250,000 square foot, seven-story office and laboratory facility. Signs and Wonders produced all signage for the project site, and delivered on budget and ahead of schedule.

Personally, Ms. Marriner was a joy to work with. I was her personal contact throughout the project, and found her to be a responsible, conscientious, highly-organized individual, who paired a strong work ethic with an upbeat attitude and positive demeanor. Debbie was always willing to lend her help for the good of the team, and the good of the project. This meant making personal sacrifices of herself and her team so that the project would run more smoothly. On several occasions, this involved altering the install schedule - installing in multiple mobilizations, during off-hours, or even around other trades.

Signs and Wonders is also a very honest, moral company. When change orders were issued through APL and the Architect, I never once had to doubt the validity or appropriateness of the costs of the changes that were submitted.

Overall, working with Signs and Wonders was a very positive experience, and one in which I would not hesitate to take on again. I would certainly recommend Signs and Wonders, and Debbie Marriner in particular, for any signage project that you may have in the future.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,  
  
Patrick Sykes - Project Engineer,  
The Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.