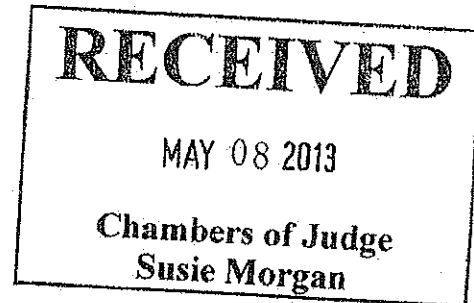




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RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

May 1, 2013



U.S. District Court Judge Susie Morgan
U.S. Eastern District of Louisiana
500 Poydras Street
Room C508
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Your Honor:

It has come to my attention that Hillard Heintze is one of two firms under consideration for appointment as Monitor of the New Orleans Police Department – and that, on the eve of the decision, information has been presented to the Court that casts aspersions on Terry G. Hillard’s character, integrity and leadership.

I am writing in several capacities – as Mayor of Chicago, a publicly elected official, and a Chicago resident – to affirm, for your consideration, my unqualified confidence and belief in Terry Hillard’s personal integrity and the very high professional standards that he has always upheld and expected of his Police Command and others.

I can personally attest to the fact that the legacy of his principled leadership continues to benefit us in 2013. It is evident in our communities, in the culture of our Police Department, and in how members of these two critical constituencies interact with one another across our city every day.

Terry Hillard’s track record as a leader – and the trust that he has earned from both police officers and the people of Chicago – still hold great currency in our city. They are among the reasons my predecessor asked him in 2011 to return as Interim Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department in the months before I took office, where we relied upon his invaluable guidance as we transitioned into office. They are among the reasons that I asked him to chair the critical public safety committee on our Independent Commission on School Utilization. And they are also the reasons for my confidence that, as Monitor and a representative of the Court, he will play a crucial leadership role, along with others, in helping the people of New Orleans begin to regain trust in their Police Department and the new practices in Constitutional policing that will ultimately transform it.

Sincerely,

Mayor