

COLDWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY

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TO: Ms. Evette Atkin
FROM: Coldwater Public Library Board of Directors
DATE: August 11, 2015
RE: Non-renewal of contract

Dear Ms. Atkin:

The Coldwater Public Library Board of Directors at its August 10, 2015 meeting had brief discussion concerning the Branch County Library Board decision not to renew your contract. Although not looked to for input, the Coldwater Public Library Board of Directors wanted to include as a part of its records and a part of your records, that the decision made by the Branch County Library Board was not in any way premised on unhappiness with your performance as it pertained to issues before the Coldwater Public Library Board of Directors, or your performance on behalf of the Coldwater Board.

Discussion was consistent with there being no significant problems the Coldwater Public Library Board had with your performance that would have occasioned the non-renewal of your employment contract. Further, the Coldwater Board was satisfied that you had instituted programs that were beneficial to the goals of the Coldwater Board. Obviously, as a Board we are sorry to see you leave the employ of the Branch County District Library. We wish you good luck in pursuing your career.

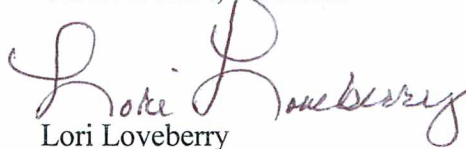
Very truly yours,



Carole Bolton, President



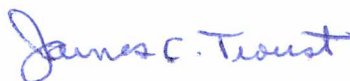
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August 19, 2015

BDL Board Members,

I have been involved with the library in some capacity for the last three Directors.

Evette, was by far the best of your choices to fill the Directors position. She was a friend of the Heritage Room and she was my friend.

There are 25,000 items in our inventory. The books and film strips are fairly easy to research, but we also have a vast amount of information in file cabinets that are not searchable. There are boxes of pictures that are of interest to our patrons that would require much more time in the day to search for.

Evette started a scanning process of the residential properties in Coldwater, which we have four large boxes of. The scanned images would then be downloaded into the archives, allowing them to be accessed online.

In my forty years of employment with Quality Springs Products, it was my duty far too often, to discharge an employee. This is a traumatic experience for both the employer and the employee, leaving many bad memories. I hope you, the board, put more diligence in choosing your future director.

Sincerely,

Walton Lane