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May 3, 2004

Dr. Jill Jones-Soderman, Psychoanalyst 81 W. Slope Trail Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Dear Jill:

We wish to thank you for your commitment to Strengthen Our Sisters. Your support to our mission is very important in helping us with our work. You are truly a wonderful and dedicated professional, who is very compassionate and caring to the women and children of the shelter. Without the support we receive from people like you, we would not be able to provide the services that are so desperately needed.

In my 35 years of working with victims of Domestic Violence, it is rare that I met a person, with the many degrees and professional credentials, such as yourself that goes to such extremes to fight for the rights of women and children.

You are a unique and most wonderful person and a credit to any organization that you are associated with.

Very truly yours,

Sandra Ramos

Founder/Executive Director

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Union Institute and University 440 East McMillan Street Cincinnati, OH 45206-1925 October 24,2004

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been my pleasure to work with Jill Jones-Soderman over the past 3-4 years. Our very close working relationship has involved working with children from toddlers to young adults, whose medical illnesses have been complicated by complex emotional distress. Jill's function in my practice has been to diagnose psychopathology. Our work together has involved working with children who display a multitude of diagnostic pathologies. Jill's treatment also assists in helping parents have a better understanding of the nature of their children's physiological disorders. I am also frequently called upon to respond to questions from DYFS and the family courts, with regard to children's physical and emotional status. Accusations of physical, sexual and emotional abuse have been responded to by a coordinated effort that has been extremely helpful and protective of many families.

It has been my experience that Jill is extremely knowledgeable, competent and compassionate. When patients are referred to her they are seen rapidly and are treated with expertise and compassion.

Sincerely,

Louis O. Pupo, MD Clinical Instructor of Pediatrics Montefiore Medical Center Yeshiva University Albert Einstein College of Medicine

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To Whom It May Concern:

July 16, 2007

This letter is in support of Jill Jones Soderman. I have known Jill for the past five years. First of all I want to say that she is relentlessly dedicated to those that seek her services. We have a scarcity of professionals that will deal with psychosocial issues, but fortunately there is Jill who is a tremendous benefit to the community, performing her unique contribution, helping people in many complex psychosocial issues. Her skill at the differential diagnoses of children's clinical disorders has created a following that will seek her advice and council anywhere she is. In short I cannot say enough good things, about Jill, to support any undertaking that she pursues.

Sincerely,

Louis O. Pupo, M.D.

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THORPE FAMILY RESIDENCE, INC.

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August 10, 2010

To whom it may concern:

It is my pleasure to write this letter of reference for Jill Jones Sodernam, I.CSW, MSHS.

Through a grant received for the services of a psychotherapist, we were privileged to having Jill as a part time staff member at Park Avenue Thorpe. Jill was hired to do assessments of our residents who were formerly homeless and continue to need supportive services to live independently. Once assessed, Jill was able to assist the case worked in accessing the particular services need by the resident and successfully navigate the entitlement system. In some cases, Jill provided psychotherapy on site.

Also, Ms. Sodernam participated in the Lehman College Masters Program as the supervisor for the social worker from our other residence. Thorpe Family Residence is a transitional shelter for homeless mothers and young children.

No task ever seemed too much to ask of Jill. She made herself available at any time for intervention during crists situations. She showed interest in all facets of the life of those persons living at Park Avenue Thorpe and was extremely generous with her time and expertise.

Jill has represented us and our residents in court. She has brought a high level of professionalism to each experience, and our residents have been enriched by her dedication and persistence on their behalf. Her court support was invaluable.

Jill is a woman of integrity, a highly seasoned professional. Her integrity is unquestionable, and her desire to advocate for those oppressed by violence and abuse of any kind is commendable.

Though the funds provided through the grant have been exhausted, and we can no longer have her on site weekly, we continue to depend on her as a consultant and advisor.

We wish her well in all her endeavors on behalf of her clients

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

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I am writing this to you on behalf of an associate of mine, Jill Jones-Soderman. She was a consultant for the F.I.T. Program (Families in Transition) since its inception back in January 2000. She worked both with me and the Board to lay out the overall vision and goals surrounding the organization of this program. This organization was established to assist families to better understand the (legal) process of divorce, as well as the impact of the process can have on family. This program assisted families in facilitating parenting time and custody agreements, in order to work against the fragmentation of the family. It was designed to educate families about the impact of divorce and the process leading up to it.

Jill Jones-Soderman worked to conceptualize seminars that were presented to the public. These seminars involved attorneys and forensic mental health staff members. She spoke at a number of these seminars on the impact divorce has on families and children. She also spoke on the subject of parental alienation, a by product of the divorce process.

Clients who attended this program (F.I.T.) were referred by the courts, as well as through local advertisements. The program was a great source of assistance for those seeking guidance, counseling and mediation. We provided clients with a network referral list of therapists in their communities. Jill Jones-Soderman was referred numerous cases, all of which involved extremely high conflict issues and required extensive treatment of the entire family, using her therapeutic, mediation and forensic skills. She worked extremely well with the Board members at F.I.T. and was highly regarded by her clients, attorneys and with all whom she worked closely with.

She often offered her services on a pro bono basis, if that were the only alternative to clients getting the help and assistance they needed. Her dedication and hard work has had a most positive impact on many children and families that participated in the F.I.T. Organization.

If you find you need any additional information regarding Jill, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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February 15, 2002

To Whom It May Concern:

Jill Soderman was a consultant for the F.I.T. organization since it's inception. Jill worked to facilitate parenting time and custody agreements for families involved in the Family Court system. Jill worked with High Conflict cases to effectuate communication, and cooperation within the family and in the best interests of the children involved.

Ms. Soderman also spoke at seminars and workshops that educated parents to the devastating impact conflict has on children. Jill spent many hours working with families that participated in F.I.T.'s "Divorce/Avoiding High Conflict" series, and "Cooperative Co-parenting through Divorce." The cases were Court referred by Judges, attorneys and other Mental Health professional's in the industry. Jill Soderman's dedication and hard work had a positive impact for the children and families that participated in the programs she was directly responsible for.

If you require any additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Theresa Ambrosinio Executive Director



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Reply to West Orange Address

February 17, 2000

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

RE:

JILL SODERMAN

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please be advised that I have worked with . Jill Soderman in the capacity of a forensic specialist in the area of psychosocial diagnostic evaluations in a variety of cases, including divorce, custody, child abuse, domestic violence and other psychopathological disorders.

Jill. Soderman is able to sustain a large volume of work writing reports, functioning in depositions, ability to provide Court testimony and maintaining excellent relations with clients in her role as forensic specialist.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

THE LAW OFFICES OF ANTHONY N. VERNI, P.C.

By:

Anthony N. Verni, Esq.

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June 29, 2007

Jill Jones Soderman 10 Cornelison Avenue Nyack, NY 10960

Dear Jill,

You asked that I recap our professional relationship and the book "How to Talk to Your Children about Divorce" that we co-authored. You and I met a few years ago at a workshop you were co-sponsoring entitled "The Impact of Conflict on Children." We found that our professional goals and concerns are extremely compatible and we have a high regard for each other's intelligence, experience, and ethics, among other things. Our book, "How to Talk to Your Children about Divorce," which I published as one of a series of eight short books that deal in a sound-bite fashion with different divorce-related issues, is the star of the series. Many attorneys and counselors are buying this book for their clients. Recently, a professor who teaches family law at a law school bought copies for each of her family law students. People who have seen the book have raved about the content and value to divorcing families. A Muslim educator in Canada has ordered several and feels it is the best resource of its kind available. He has indicated that he is going to promote it in several Muslim communities in the states and Canada. The marketing at this point has not been aggressive but people seem to be hearing about it. This is a book I would like to be able to make available to court systems but, unfortunately, that will take a benefactor as most court systems do not have the money to buy copies, even at my cost.

I look forward, Jill, to our continuing friendship and professional relationship and always know that when I want concrete, creative, and very wise input regarding almost any issue related to children and families, I can always turn to you.

Rest Regards

Allison Quattrocchi



Union Institute & University

Jill Jones Soderman 5002 E Butler Ave Paradise Valley, AZ 85253-2011

Date:

May 9, 2005

To:

Cincinnati July 5 – 13, 2005 Colloquium Participants

The above noted Colloquium, scheduled to be held at Union Institute & University's North Miami Office location has been cancelled by the Office of the Dean of the Graduate College due to under-enrollment.

Currently we have three colloquia scheduled for September 9-18, 2005. I have enclosed a revised 2005 Colloquium Schedule for your convenience. Please contact Tina Marie McClintock for assistance in rescheduling.

If you have any questions I can be contacted at 1-800-486-3116 ext. 1106, or by email at ksmith@tui.edu. Thank you for your understanding in this matter

Sincerely

M Kathleen Smith

December 20, 2007

Dear Jill,

Inside the package you will find a bracelet that represents my desire to recognize you as a "Great Heart." Great Hearts was started by my dear friend, Haydn Anthony, a world-class artist and peace seeker. (Haydn was working on the design of a peace monument in Egypt with Sadat at the time of his assassination.) Check out her GreatHeartsAfire.org website for a further explanation of her intention and go to "Who Are the Great Hearts". You will find you are in good company. I have submitted a short explanation for why I selected you for a Great Heart which should be up shortly on the website list with other Great Hearts.

The concept of recognizing people who live their lives from the perspectives of "courage, compassion, truth, justice, freedom, peace" is exciting. Only people specifically recognized by another who has been so recognized may wear the bracelet. One day, if we all give this concept our support, we may meet other Great Hearts in our day to day travels and be able to recognize and acknowledge them by the bracelet they wear. Hopefully, you will wear it proudly, or you may decide that you would prefer not to wear it. Whatever you decide will not change my feeling that you deserve the recognition and I am proud to call you "my friend."

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You have been identified as a GREAT HEART



an individual of remarkable character who lives life with courage • compassion • truth justice • freedom • peace



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Kathryn Rapp

To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the pleasure and honor of knowing both personally and professionally, Jill Jones Soderman for over five years. During this time I have observed many fine qualities that I rarely encounter and would like to share.

Her professional dedication goes above and beyond the call of duty. She never stops, she works 24/7 grabbing rest when she can but always putting her clients needs before her own. She is always available for business calls and works tirelessly for her clients.

Her endless wealth of knowledge, experience and willingness to share is beyond belief. I have also witnessed her spending enormous amounts of time both over the phone and in person providing advice, referrals of services and references to strangers in need of her advice and expertise. She has spent endless hours helping many without receiving a single dime on top of her clients that have retained her valuable service.

Her passion and heart for the welfare of children, justice and all social concerns far exceeds any person I know. She will go where others are afraid to go, she will ask what others are afraid to ask and she will take action that others are afraid to take. This she does for strangers.

I have never met a more brilliant, clever, resourceful, intelligent, practical, common sense, loving, tough and fearless woman. This and much more on top of her professional dedication, wealth of knowledge, passion and big heart.

I've just scratched the surface in describing this incredible woman. There are so many qualities that exceed expectations I once again say, it is both a pleasure and honor for me to know her, to call her a friend and a business associate. I hope to always have her as a great inspirational part of my life.

Sincerely yours,

Kathryn Rapp

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August 7, 2007

Ms. Jill Jones-Soderman, LCSW, ACSW 10 Cornelison Avenue Nyack, New York 10960

Dear Ms. Jones-Soderman:

Working with you these past few weeks on the formation and development of your not-for-profit organization, the Foundation for Child Victims of the Family Courts, has been fast-paced and very enlightening, as I had no concept of the degree to which child welfare agencies and the courts have not only failed to protect and assist abused and victimized children, but, tragically, have actively aided those abusing these children. In order to expedite my research to build a development program for the Foundation for Child Victims of the Family Courts, I would like to take this opportunity to review and summarize some of the work your are doing to assist families in crisis.

The Foundation of Child Victims of the Family Courts, Inc. (the Foundation), incorporated under the not-for-profit corporation law of the State of New York on April 20, 2007, has a two-fold mission. One, to assist parents and their children who have not received just and equitable treatment on issues brought before the family court system, and Two, to inform the public about those issues relating to the violation of the civil rights of children and their parents involved in the family court system. The proposed activities to accomplish the Foundation's mission include: outreach to families whose children's rights are being violated by the family court system; development of a network of referral sources for families in need of legal, social and financial services to deal with securing justice and equitable treatment in the family court system; provision of advocacy services for families victimized by the family court system; and public presentations and the development of a website and informational handouts by which the Foundation will inform the general public about these issues and the need to reform the family court system.

To accomplish these goals you have in a few short weeks: (1.) Organized a nation-wide campaign to provide courts dealing with divorce and other family issues with copies of the book you coauthored, "How to Talk to Your Children About Divorce", and you are arranging to have the book released in Spanish as well as English. The book project has received the enthusiastic support from courts in every state of the union who want multiple copies immediately.

(2.) Networked with experts in the legal and counseling professions who will work with/consult to the Foundation in several states to assist child victims of family courts and to assist the Foundation in advocating for change in the family court system. (3.) Established websites-"Lawisnotjustice" and "The OpenMind – to inform the public at large about the issues of child abuse and the court system and the need for reforming the system- and hired a documentary videographer to document the work of the Foundation and the struggles of families and their children in crisis who are not protected by the family court system.

I know there is much more you want to accomplish with the Foundation, and the various organizations you work with to achieve the goals of the Foundation, but it is my understanding that items 1-3 above have priority.

Please review the above, and let me know if you have changes, additions, etc.

Warmest regards,

Sylvia Welch

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To whom it may concern,

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I have known Jill Jones-Soderman for nearly a year. In that time we have developed a collegial relationship and have collaborated on more than twenty patients. This close relationship between two different fields is unusual in my experience. Jill and I together co manage children and families in crisis. This integration of psychotherapy blended with my ability to provide appropriate medical care and medications has proven to be successful.

Jill has proven herself in our community to be compassionate, intelligent, and extremely competent in her life work. My ability to care for the children and adolescents in my practice, suffering from emotional issues has been enhanced by Jill's expertise. What starts out as one patient needing care ends up as healing for an entire family.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely

Louis G Trunzo, MD, FAAP

Medical Director



To Whom it may concern,

3/30/05

I have known Soderman for nearly a year. I am a retired OBGYN presently working as practice administrator at North Valley Pediatrics. I have come to know Jill as an intelligent, caring health care provider. Our patients have been extremely satisfied with her high level of care and compassion. Jill has gone beyond what is reasonable to accommodate patients in crisis.

Jill is an asset to our medical community. Her expertise is unique and will prove to improve the mental health of children and families in our state.

Please feel free to contact me for any additional support I can offer Soderman.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Kolnick, MD,



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October 27, 2004

Doctoral Admissions The Union Institute & University 440 E. McMillan St. Cincinnati, OH 45206-1925

Dear Admissions Advisors:

It is my pleasure to recommend Jill Jones-Soderman to the Union's PhD program. I have been working with Jill for more than a year, discussing her academic goals, her research interests, and how best to pursue these. I have found her to be a highly motivated person whose professional experience clearly shows a dedication to the welfare of others, particularly children in the turmoil of divorce. She is determined to make a difference in this area through research, analysis, and reform of the family court systems in the US. She has made convincing arguments to me that the effort os essential to improving the lives of the thousands caught up in these systems.

She has concluded that it is the right time in her life to begin her doctoral studies. I believe this is not simply an additional career goal for her, since she is already a very successful psychotherapst and forensic psychologist. Rather, I believe her basic motive is to effect reform of the family court system, and to make changes in psychotherapy and the practice of forensic psychology. This is just the kind of PhD applicant I understand the Union to be seeking.

It is apparent to me that she is well prepared for Doctoral studies at the Union. She has decades of specialized training and experience in psychoanalysis, forensic psychology, social work, and all aspects of the family court systems in New Jersey, New York, and other states. Combine all this with the focus on the familty court system and I think you have an excellent match of student and research topic.

In conversation I have found Jill to be highly articulate and eager to expand her knowledge and approaches to problems. She is open-minded about beliefs and professional education, including her own deep and rich background in psychoanalysis. She takes opposing views seriously and takes criticism very well. Jill should work very well with a doctoral committee and advisor. I predict that she will inspire faculty and fellow students with her passion and joy in working for change.

Sincerely,

Peter Proehl, MA tel. 707-539-6466

Jeanne Kerlin 612 Yorktown Dr. Leesburg, FL 34748

August 11, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the honor and privilege of knowing Jill Jones Soderman from a professional & personal standpoint for over ten (10) years. Jill is a fine upstanding person who has a strong will to help everyone that she meets and comes into contact with.

During the time that I have known her, she has worked helping people on a continuous basis to all hours of the day and night. I believe that she has some sort of super power because it seems that she never sleeps and only has everyone else's interest in mind.

When I met Jill, she had just formed F.I.T. (Families In Transition) and was working with the Court system and Judges. Jill was a Developer and Organizer of F.I.T. with her vast knowledge of being a Therapist, Mediator, expertise, resourcefulness and never ending devotion of helping people. She conducted classes, seminars and was the guest speaker on dealing with high conflict divorces and working with the court system. She worked with children and help blend the families together, along with therapy, mediation & 24 hour contact if and when necessary. My husband was going through a very hostile, painful and high conflict divorce with significant parental alienation from his previous spouse when we first met Jill. If it weren't for Jill the divorce never would've occurred to this day. We had gone through several therapists and mediators before we met Jill. Her classes and therapy for us, two (2) children and a very disruptive and manipulative soon ex-spouse ensued post haste. The ex-spouse would never go to anything court ordered, but once Jill got involved, everything started turning around quickly, because of Jill's devotion, love and support that she gave the children. Jill worked with us everyday until everything was resolved either by phone, office visit or home visit. If it weren't for Jill, my husband would have no contact with his children whatsoever to this day. It was Jill that finally got control of the situation and remedied it. Her support and advice through the divorce had a tremendous impact on everyone and still does today. Jill never wavered on any beliefs, nor ever steered us wrong. She was able to work with the children (ages 8 & 10) at the time and was able to have them understand everything that was occurring. Her passion for the children's welfare was impeccable and she had an excellent grasp of the situation at hand. I don't know what we would've done without Jill and FIT, she was very critical in the children's mental health and well being and has kept up with us and kept us on the right track ever since.

Jeanne Kerlin Page 2

She never stopped working with the family and has been a very important person in our lives over the years. Jill has shown us endless compassion, intelligence and she's a force to be reckoned with. Jill will do whatever it takes to get things done and will show complete confidence in doing so.

Jill has great compassion for everyone she becomes involved with and has helped everyone she has contact with and will never stop in doing so. She has strength when nobody else does and never stops until the job is done right. She is a rock and figures out professionally and personally what is the right thing to do in each instance. Jill finds resources when nobody else can or won't or doesn't want to be bothered with.

This is just a sampling of what Jill Jones Soderman is about. Her undying devotion & love has been a blessing to us. Jill is just one person who tries to do everything for everyone and asks nothing in return. It is my great honor to have known Jill for over ten (10) years and have had her in our lives both professionally and personally. When the going gets rough, you call Jill and she lifts you up. Jill is by far one of a kind who is always there for you in thick and thin. I truly hope that Jill is in our lives forever so I can always have her words of wisdom when we need it.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Kerlin

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