

LETTER OF RECOMENDATION FOR DR. MIKE WARD #33384

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To Whom It May Concern,

1. As president of the Chapman University College Republicans (CUCR) it is my pleasure to recommend Dr. Mike Ward for the non-partisan task of participating in California's Citizen Redistricting Commission. Dr. Ward has been affiliated with CUCR for 3 years now and has demonstrated through example his dedication to the principles of fairness, inclusion and respect for others.
2. In support of and in unison with CUCR, he has been a guest speaker on multiple occasions discussing the "importance of an informed electorate", the "challenge to live a principled life" and panelist discussing the "effect of healthcare reform on the medical practitioner". Dr. Ward has made it clear that he is concerned more with challenging young adults to critically think about the community around them and form an autonomous and informed opinion rather than telling them what to think or what is right. This shared value has been a perfect fit and valued asset to the CUCR as we have continued to raise consciousness and involvement amongst our student population regarding the political and social challenges of our generation.
3. Dr. Ward has been more than just a visible presence to the CUCR, but has been an engaged supporter of the entire student political network at Chapman University. Dr. Ward has put his full support and encouragement to helping us reach out to the other student political organizations on campus. One of the most recent relationship bridges Dr. Ward participated in was the first semesterly political action football derby. This event drew double the anticipated interest and was the first unpartisan politically sponsored event of the year. As a result of these efforts the CUCR and the Chapman University College Democrats have begun a planning process for future joint social activities between the clubs.
4. Having shown himself to be a principled, professional man of initiative, integrity and concern for the sanctity of the political process I proudly support Dr. Ward for an official role with the Citizens Redistricting Commission. The intellectual creativity that he has brought to CUCR would be a huge asset to this commission.
5. If I can be of any further assistance, or provide you with any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



John Leyman Jr., President
Chapman University College Republicans