

March 16th, 2018

Re: Brian Philippy

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write a letter of recommendation in support of Brian Philippy's appointment to the Board of Directors at the EBAA.

I first met Brian in 2011 through the EBAA and have interacted with him usually at the biannual EBAA meetings in the summer and fall. We are both members of the Medical Advisory Board and Accreditation Board. In addition, we have worked closely together on an eye bank site visit as part of an accreditation inspection, with him in the role of lead inspector. Brian's resume of achievements and committees served on is hugely impressive and endorses his commitment to the EBAA and eye banking.

Throughout my interaction with Brian, he has impressed with me his vast knowledge and insight into the industry. His extensive experience of tissue procurement and eye banking puts Brian at a unique advantage. He also trained in chemistry and chemical engineering. I would describe Brian as a "visionary" within the field of eye banking; it is typical for Brian to be the outspoken individual at national EBAA meetings with fresh ideas and proposals to improve the practice of eye banking, as well as to discuss possible future trends. Brian has been responsible for much of the recent statistical analysis data generated from the EBAA. His networking abilities, which are especially important in this field, are unparalleled and he seems to generate instant rapport with anyone he meets.

In terms of leadership qualities, Brian is someone who is upbeat, spouts innovative ideas and motivational. He treats other team members as his peers and he leads by example.

I wholeheartedly endorse Brian for this leadership position without reservation.

Please feel free to contact me at (314) 609-4604 with any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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