



Advancing Sight Network

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as a recommendation for Ellen Kerns to serve as an at-large candidate for EBAA Board of Directors. Ellen has over 30 years of experience in eye banking along with the focus and drive for honoring donor families and the precious gift of sight.

Ellen is our Sr. Vice President of Transplant Services and oversees the distribution of all our tissue, including long-term preserved. Ellen has performed all aspects of eye banking during her career, giving her great insight into the total day-to-day operations of an eye bank. She has used this knowledge to enhance our communication and service with our surgeons, transplant centers, international outlets, and many others, and has been instrumental in helping us achieve our goals as an organization.

Ellen is passionate about the mission of restoring sight and constantly keeps us focused on achieving this mission through our values. I feel Ellen would be an excellent addition to the EBAA Board of Directors to help lead EBAA to create options that are best for the industry while maintaining the altruism of eye banking.

In summary, Ellen possesses all the experience, passion, skills, mindset, and knowledge to serve on the EBAA Board of Directors and please accept this letter as the highest recommendation.

Sincerely,

Alan S. Blake, CEBT, CTBS
President / CEO
Advancing Sight Network