

To whom it may concern:

I had the pleasure of working with Melanie Clark. Initially though, I was working with a different district manager but Melanie was always happy to help me without any benefit to herself. She has been an amazing teacher and mentor. She is responsible, caring, knowledgeable, and encouraging. She has been my only steady support system throughout this internship and I truly appreciate her as a mentor, boss, business partner and friend. I can see her succeeding at anything she sets her mind to.

Through this internship I have learned how to talk to clients both happy and displeased, I have learned management skills and the whatever-it-takes attitude that is essential for running any business. But most importantly through this internship I have met people who have not only become some best friends but also people who are driven to succeed and have high goals and push me to do the same. I can't remember life without them and I wouldn't want to. College Works Painting might not have been the most conventional or easy Summer job I could have had or have had but it is definitely the most rewarding. I have been introduced to new, exciting and at times terrifying experiences from learning to throw a mean right hook to walking up to my first door the first day of marketing back in February. If you are a person who is determined to grow and are looking for a program to challenge you and push you out of your comfort zone this is definitely the one for you. If you can stick it out through the stressful limes and learn to create your own luck you will definitely walk away from the summer with some great memories and lifelong friends.

Sincerely,

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