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Mrs. Brenda Martinez

Ryan Rice was recently selected to perform his internship for his BSW degree with the Tennessee Department of Corrections as a Forensic Social Work Intern. In his day to day activities he is responsible for conducting biosocial assessments, mental evaluations, alcohol and drug screens, and keeping up with treatment plans and progress notes. The area in which he is assigned is responsible for nine counties in the eastern part of Tennessee. The position is one that requires the intern to be flexible and have the ability to travel when and if necessary.

Ryan has done an outstanding job thus far and brings knowledge seldom seen in an intern however; his ability to perform daily tasks has and will continue to be hindered by not having his own laptop. This will enable him to keep track of the progress of his clients. It would be beneficial both to me as a field instructor and Ryan as an intern if he had the necessary equipment to help our clients achieve optimum success and stay out of prison.

Like I mentioned prior, I believe that Ryan has potential seldom seen in young social workers and this would only increase the potential he brings with him into the field. Thank you for your time in this matter and I appreciate anything you could do to assist with this issue. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

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Respectfully

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