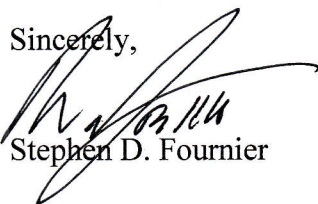


To whom it may concern,

I was given the privilege of serving as the District 5 representative for the Otsego County Board of Representatives from 2006 - 2011. During my time on the board I was appointed to serve on the Public Safety Committee as well as being given the honor of chairing that committee for a year. Through my time on the board and especially my time on the Public Safety Committee, I was able to witness firsthand the professionalism and competency with which Richard Devlin Jr. serves as Sheriff of Otsego County. His first concern was always the safety and well being of the residents of Otsego County. Rich is not one to sit back and wait for things to happen. He is proactive, looking for more effect and efficient ways to run the Sheriff's Office, while keeping in mind the safety of the people, his deputies, correction officers, and also with an eye towards keeping cost under control. In my dealings with him while on the board I always found him to lead the Sheriff's office with integrity, honesty, and reliability. He can be counted on to speak the truth and be straight forward. I have also found that he is well respected by his deputies, corrections officers, and office staff. I will further note that as a fellow veteran of the Armed Forces, Rich fully understands that value of honor and duty.

It is for the above reasons and more, that I fully and without reservation, endorse Richard Devlin Jr. as Otsego County Sheriff. Let's keep a Sheriff who brings experience and reliability to the Otsego County Sheriff's office, vote Devlin for Sheriff!

Sincerely,



Stephen D. Fournier