To whom it may concern:

I'm writing this to throw my enthusiastic support behind Claude as a very, very good candidate for corporate-style gigs. As a corporate-style person employed in a large corporation, i feel uniquely qualified to put forth this recommendation. I saw Claude perform at my wife's high school reunion, and he was unbelievable! He did about an hour, and most of what he did seemed off the cuff and tailored to the school and town; it was all hilarious! I have seen his ability, close-up, to assimilate a bunch of information about a room, and turn it into an interactive and engaging routine, in pretty short order. Claude's a "pro," not just nominally because that's how he makes his living, but in the more complete sense of the word—a professional, with the ability to strike that delicate balance between giving the room the specifics it's looking for, while at the same time staying true to his own brand.

Other than to close by saying that not only would i hire him, i actually tried, but came too late to our internal process to get him on board, these are all my thoughts on this amazing entertainer. I'd be more than happy to speak live to answer any further questions.

Avery Gross SVP/Group Creative Director The Leo Burnett Company 312 220 4911

## CLAUDE STUART REFERRAL:

To whom it may concern:

Claude Stuart had such a great show! He is a wonderful guy, very funny (even off stage), super nice and easy to get along with. He knows how to assess an audience and adjust his material to perfectly suit them. Claude's act was perfect for a crowd of sober students; they thoroughly enjoyed him. We would love to have Claude Stuart back on campus!

Sincerely,

Kristen Ward Co-ordinator of Campus Activities Southern Minnesota State University <u>kristenward\_11@hotmail.com</u> Dear Claude,

It's been almost a year since you were here to host Greenville Honors its Own, but your performance is not to be forgotten. As you recall; the crowd was large and varied widely in age, gender, and race. It was a formal affair and perhaps Greenville's most important ceremony of the year. You immediately read the mood and makeup of the audience, went to work getting us involved in your routine, and set us all at ease with the perfect combination of comedy and your job at hand as Master of Ceremony.

Your level of preparation was obvious, and your performance was well deserving of the standing ovation you received. I was not aware until I saw your show the next evening at Rivals just how much you had toned your act down! It just reaffirmed what I already knew – that above all you are thoughtful and respectful of your audience, but still know how to make us laugh. You're a class act!

Many thanks and all the best,

Barthell Joseph

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Dear Claude,

I just wanted to say thanks again for the GREAT show! It has been a few months and my staff still jokes about it in the hallways and at the coffee machine!! I really don't know how many return engagements you have (I am sure a lot), but when my boss asked me why I was having the same comedian come out two years in a row – I just simply told him how HALARIOUS you are and engaged you are with my people! Of course it was an easy sell since he attended your first show with us in 2011 – he was the "retired football coach" in the back that was laughing so hard I thought someone (not me) would have to do CPR on the guy!

Seriously, you are a complete professional and so easy to work with – that I would certainly recommend you to any organization, large or small, that cares enough about their people to want them to enjoy a GREAT TIME and LAUGHS that are non-stop!! I think the most important ingredient in your shows have been your flexibility and ability to personalize your shows to my staff. When I shared my staff's bio's with you, I was amazed at how effectively you were able to integrate that into the show......Absolutely HALARIOUS!!!! Our "Harry Potter" still asks me if he can have a new office "with a broomstick"!

I hope all is well your way, and when you do a movie with Adam Sandler – I want an autograph!!!

Take care, my friend!

Kevin Pelletier | General Manager

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March 19, 2013

To whom it may concern:

Back in April 2011, The Gow School had the pleasure of welcoming alumnus Claude Stuart to campus to perform during our *Laughs For Learning* event. The event raised money for our scholarship fund. The event brought in over 250 people, including current parents, donors, and corporate sponsors. Claude was very accommodating and easy to work with throughout this entire event.

The audience consisted of students and parents; and his material was appropriate throughout his routine, and he had their attention the entire time. He was able to relate to the audience, and I think that's the one of the reasons they loved him so much! He created an upbeat and entertaining atmosphere, which is exactly what we were trying to achieve. Many people were still talking about his performance months after the show!

Claude's enthusiastic participation in our event made it a success. We would welcome him back at any time to perform again.

Best wishes,

Tammy Kosnoknowski Co-chair for *Laughs For Learning* event The Gow School (716) 652-3450 <u>TKosnikowski@gow.org</u> March 25, 2013

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is a referral for comedian Claude Stuart. Recently, he performed at our annual fundraiser Greenville Honors Its Own in March 2012. Greenville Honors Its Own is the Greenville Arts Council's annual fundraiser; the Arts Council honors individuals, organizations and businesses for their participation in the arts whether through education, volunteerism, patronage or participation. This event is black tie and is very formal. Each year, we look for someone to host the event, someone who has a connection to our community, but will also do a great job of keeping the program entertaining and timely. Similar to the Oscars, there are many speeches that are given therefore a successful master of ceremonies can navigate these speeches and keep the audience engaged and entertained.

Claude did just this. He was able to incorporate his comedic act as well as work through the information needed in order to make the program run smoothly. He did a great job of making sure his comedy related to the population that was represented at GHIO. Many that attended the event have been active in the Arts Council for many years and represent an older section of our population. Everyone had an excellent time, and Claude was very easy to work with. Claude did a great job of understanding what type of event Greenville Honors Its Own was and made sure his act was appropriate as well as funny.

I would recommend him for further events; please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Best,

MacKenzie Stroh, Executive Director Greenville Arts Council mstroh@greenville-arts-council.com

June 19, 2014

Dear Bill,

I wanted to send you a quick note regarding Claude Stuart and his performance at our corporate lunch on Tuesday. Claude did an excellent job and provided us with much needed relief from our busy work days. He was professional, kept his act clean and interacted well with the group - not to mention that he was extremely funny. The team had a great time and Claude's physical brand of comedy went a long way toward making out event memorable. Additionally, all of us were very impressed that he was able to come up with well-written and tasteful jokes about our company at such a short notice! The bottom line is: I would absolutely recommend Claude for future corporate events.

Thank you again, and thank you for sending Claude to us.

Sincerely,

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