

*Endorsement from*

## **Vance Jack, Retired Special Agent of TBI for Scott Smith for Sheriff**

I am Vance Jack, a retired law enforcement officer of 32 years. The last 18 years of my career was with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and this is where I met and had the opportunity to work with Scott Smith.

I am not a citizen of Hickman County, I live in Lawrence County. I write you this letter to give you a better understanding of who Scott Smith is and why I would vote for him if I were a voter in Hickman County.

The first case I worked with Scott I realized that he had a strong conviction for pursuing the truth! He only wanted the facts of a case to rightly locate and present the person or persons responsible for the crime he was investigating. Scott was willing to put in long hours of work to accomplish this, and I never heard him complain.

Scott is a good investigator, who would listen to people and analyze what they were saying and would act on information given him. This skill set is one of the things that made him successful in his investigations.

Scott understands the team concept of working investigations with other agencies such as TBI, FBI, ATF, and other county and municipal agencies!

Scott is a person who could be trusted with confidential information and who handles that information with integrity!

One of the greatest qualities Scott possesses is that of never giving up and thinking outside the box! These qualities and the others he possessed make him a great investigator and leader and were the things that forged a strong friendship between the two of us!

Every case that I had the privilege of working with Scott had a successful conclusion on prosecution because of all the qualities and strength Scott possessed.

The last case I worked with Scott highlighted all of everything I have mentioned in this letter. The closure of the Jeff Ola case was because of his determination, hard work, thinking outside the box, listening and analyzing, and working with other agencies with integrity! Even though his job responsibilities changed in the middle of this case, Scott saw it through. Scott was promoted from Investigator to Hickman County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy and could have assigned someone to finish what he had started but didn't!

Hickman County you are fortunate to have this quality of a candidate to choose from. Just thought I would share my experience of knowing and working with Scott Smith. Thank you!

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