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U.S. Department of Justice
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Dear Sirs:

It is a pleasure to recommend Dr. Vladimir Vinnitsky, M.D., Ph.D., for acceptance as an alien of extraordinary ability and training in the biomedical sciences. I have followed Dr. Vinnitsky's career closely over the last several years, since our interests overlap. Before coming to the U.S. Dr. Vinnitsky was, and still is, an internationally recognized expert in cancer biology. Dr. Vinnitsky was the Deputy Director of the Institute of Experimental Pathology, Oncology and Radiobiology of the Academy of Sciences of the Ukraine. He was also Vice Chairman of the Society of Oncologists of the Ukraine and a member of the Advisory Board of the International Society for Neuroimmunology (He was one of the founders of this scientific field). He was also a member of the Advisory Board of the International Academy of Tumor Markers in Oncology and a member of the New York Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Vinnitsky is an internationally known and respected scientist/physician. He has performed at highest level of excellence in every academic arena, as evidenced from his receipt of awards as a medical student and later as a scientist. He has published 123 scientific articles, the most important of which are used as teaching tools in medical schools. These include several papers in journals that are considered to be the top journals in cancer research.

Clearly, Dr. Vinnitsky is an outstanding scientist of extraordinary ability and achievement. He has an excellent command of English and will be an excellent asset to our nation. I can recommend Dr. Vinnitsky without any reservation for citizenship.

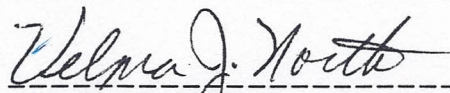
Sincerely,



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The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
and
Professor of Internal Medicine
Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
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COUNTY OF HARRIS

Subscribed and sworn to the 9th day of August, 1995 before me by Garth L. Nicolson, Ph.D. of his own free will and testament.



Velma J. North, Notary Public, State of Texas