

Letter of Recommendation for Citizenship in the United States of America

regarding

Muhammad Zahid Chaudhry

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Carole Willey. I have a degree in Bachelor of Social Work. I am 59 years old and a citizen of the United States. I live in Thurston County, Washington.

The undeniable facts even admitted by the US Government in Mr. Chaudhry's case are:

1. Zahid has always come to the United States legally; even those who came here illegally, broken US laws, committed crimes here in the U.S., joined the military, and were granted citizenship. Why has Zahid been singled out, held to different standards, and not been given his earned (as people all over the world have proclaimed) citizenship?
2. Zahid has not broken any US laws.
3. Zahid has qualified for citizenship on multiple grounds

Zahid qualifies for expedited citizenship based on Qualified Military service; he served honorably in the U.S. Army as evidenced by his two "Honorable" discharge certificates. It makes many people mad, including me, that someone who has served in the military for this country is denied his earned citizenship.

He qualifies for citizenship on additional basis as well, not the least of which he also qualifies for citizenship based on married to U.S. citizen: Zahid and his wife Ann have been married over 10 years.

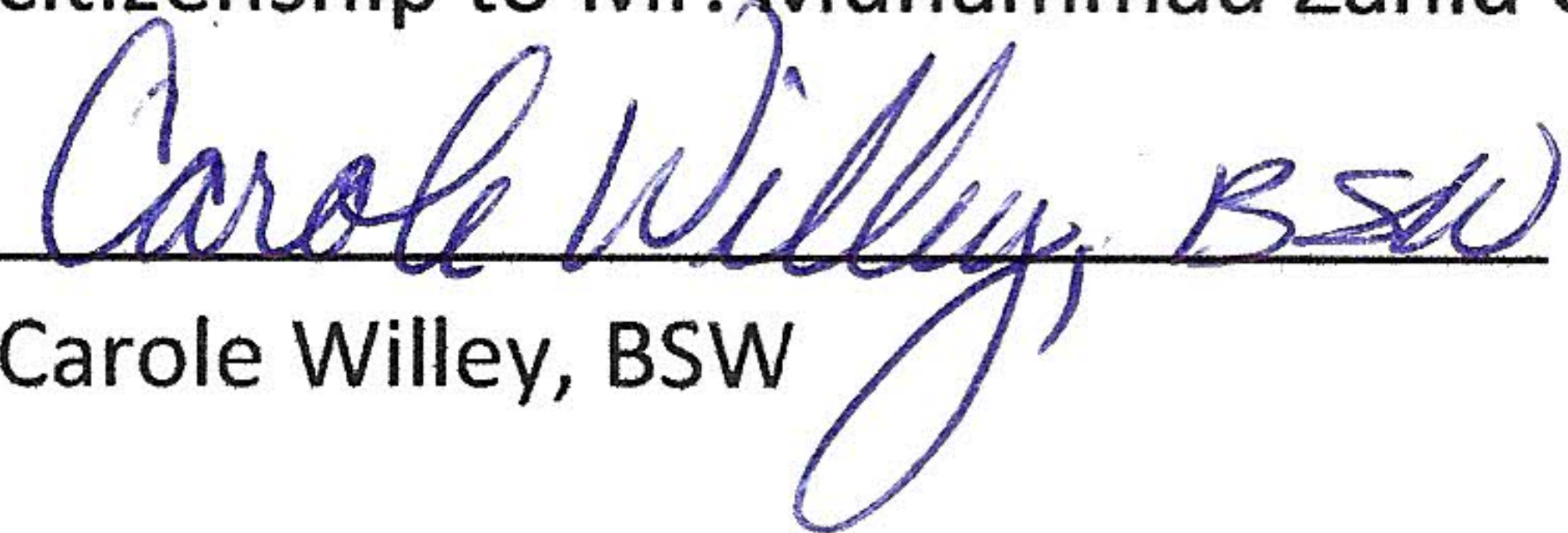
He has given thousands of unpaid volunteer hours in service to community, including but not limited to: Fire Department (carrying pager 24/7 and responding to fire emergencies at all hours of the day and night), American Red Cross (general volunteer and also Youth Coordinator), Habitat for Humanity, helping out stranded people on the roads and highways, helping the elderly with their chores and giving them company, helping build community gardens, assisting seniors with shopping and taking them to appointments, repairing and donating gardening tools, volunteering with car & van pools and designated driver, helped out displaced people and refugees, volunteering at Native American organizations and schools, volunteering all day at spaghetti feeds to raise funds for children's charities and raise awareness of public safety issues, just to name a few !

So all the great things Zahid has done all his life does not get to define his “good moral character” , but some incident in a different country on a different continent on the other side of the world over a decade ago in which he actually was the victim is taken out of context, reported inaccurately, selectively spun in arbitrary direction with prejudice, has questionable relevancy, and frivolous to the bone; gets to define Zahid’s character?

No country can ask for more in a candidate for citizenship.

Why has the Chaudhry family been persecuted, harassed, which has only increased especially after 9/11? Why has millions of tax-payers’ dollars been spent on this needless, mindless and senseless persecution?

I highly recommend that the United States ceases this relentless persecution and grant citizenship to Mr. Muhammad Zahid Chaudhry that he so richly has earned and deserves.


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