**Police Officer Cover Letter Sample 2**

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**Elizabeth Van Claude**  
Chief of Police  
**Erie Police Department**  
1763 East Water Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 22741

Dear Mrs. Van Claude,

As someone who originally completed my training at Erie Police Academy in 2000, I was thrilled to see that your police force has an opening for a sergeant. With over 18 years of experience in law enforcement, I will be capable of providing your department the advanced leadership and familiarity with legal standards that your advertisement indicates you are seeking.

At the Harrisburg Police Department where I currently hold the rank of sergeant, I frequently engage in a number of potentially hostile law enforcement procedures. These include searching vehicles, property, and individuals suspected of committing crimes. I have hands-on experience in gathering vital investigation information through interrogation. The administration of sobriety tests and monitoring potentially suspicious individuals also fall under my responsibilities.

I have consistently been acknowledged in the Harrisburg Police Department for my leadership achievements. In 2016, I attended a six-week leadership training class. The participants are hand selected by our city council and are chosen on the basis of their contributions to the police department. In this class, I learned the value of crisis management and problem-solving. I have also been named Senior Officer of the Year for the past two years.

One of my greatest skills is my physical fitness. I have an avid love of physical activity and my participation in marathons, weight training, and martial arts allows me to remain in the kind of shape I need to endure the physical requirements of police work. I also served as an EMT prior to becoming a police officer, so I possess skills in emergency response. The concepts, laws, and procedures involved in searches, seizures, and interrogation are within my skill set.

Your advertisement indicates that you value experience and dedication to the community. Due to my almost twenty years as a police officer, I believe I fit your experience qualification. As for my dedication to the community, I still have fond memories of the city where I earned my certificate as a police officer, and I have been devoted to serving the state of Pennsylvania for my entire life. I look forward to further discussing my qualifications in a face-to-face interview. Please contact me to schedule an interview.

Sincerely,  
Jacob Erikson