Hey Stefan!

I wanted to write a physical letter because it’s old timey and clearly a classy move :P

While I have now left the company I just wanted to say I really enjoyed the time I’ve spent working with you. I’ve found your ability to multitask, prioritize tasks, and build a vision for the products you work on truly impressive. I’ll certainly miss our little coding adventures which was my favorite aspects working on this team.

I’m sorry about the final project I delivered as I don’t think it was as constructive to the project as it should have been. As you know I clearly have a problem with not being able to reconcile a vision for something with what’s actually feasible. It’s likely this problem will continue to plague me throughout my career, but I’ll certainly try to improve.

You’ve shown a lot of promise as a software developer and it’s a role that I think you should continue to dedicate yourself to. My advice (not that it’s worth much) is that you drastically diminish your dba role and position yourself as the project manager for ME portal. The infrastructure of the project is in a pretty shoddy and awkward state, but I’m sure with a heavy and dedicated hand this can be corrected. The project needs someone that has a dedicated vision and has enough passion to motivate other to share in that vision. Also it’s a worthwhile endeavor spend lots of time reading software blogs on project file structures, write tests, and build frameworks.

Your friend (and coding partner in crime),

John Mecham