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Warden Timothy Douma
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Re: Executive Directive #31, dated 10/15/2013

Dear Warden Douma:

Pursuant to *Executive Directive #31, dated 10/15/2013*, I respectfully and humbly would like to ask for consideration under the directive. I am 63 yrs old (*BD 12/19/50*), incarcerated since 2/1997 (*nearly 18yrs*). I have always made an obsequious effort to comply with all requirements during my incarceration. My work, behavior and participation evaluations and reviews have always been excellent (*available in my records, 40+ evaluations of perfect score*).

If released, my focus would be on closely assisting and tending both of my elderly parents (*age 84*). Both parents have multiple, serious health problems (*heart, high blood pressure, arthritis*). My father has problems with his kidneys. Both parents have artificial joints. Mobility and stamina are increasing problems for them. My mother has atrial fibrillation and suffered a stroke 4/8/2012. She now has dementia, and a serious blood disorder where her red blood cells disappear, and hemoglobin levels are a problem she receives blood transfusions. She fell and broke her hip on 8/12/2014 and her mobility is now limited to a wheelchair and bed.

My son's wife (*Amy*) has been battling cancer since October 2005. The never-ending medical expenses, procedures and treatments have been a paralyzing debase to an already overwhelmed and struggling young family. If released I would be able to assist them with support and hopefully contribute financially. Medical records for parents and daughter-in-law are available if needed.

While observing the media and reviewing cases in the past 17 yrs of incarceration, I have noticed a large sentencing disparity by comparison in my case. Most of offenders with the same crime have received considerably shorter sentences (*typically 4 to 12 years*) than the time I have already served.

Remorsefully, I have looked every day, at the shame and damage my crime has caused. I have taken my punishment seriously and always worked at my best levels. I am very sorry for my error. Regretfully, I cannot erase nor completely indemnify for my crime. If given the opportunity to re-integrate into society again, I will work hard and focus on achieving good with the rest of my life. It is my goal to again, be an asset to society.

Enclosed is a brief history of my participation during incarceration and pre-incarceration. Should you require further information or wish to speak to me, my family and I will assist you in any manner we can. My attorney, Richard Kaiser is also available if you would need additional information or assistance. Thank you for your consideration on the request.

Sincerely,

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