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The Honorable Judge Richard Schell  
United States District Court, Eastern District of Texas  
7940 Preston Road, Suite 111  
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Dear Judge Schell,

I am the mother of Gary Lynn McDuff, who has, since May, 2012, been held in the County jail in Bonham, Texas, as inmate # 59934079.

Since his incarceration, he has been able to find the documents he needs to disprove the theory of the Prosecution (the government alleges that he helped to create the Lancorp Fund for the purpose of using it to raise money to put into the Megafund, which he "knew" was a "Ponzi Scheme").

Please refer to the dates in the attached "Itinerary" for my husband, John McDuff. The dates don't match the allegations. My husband was first introduced to Stan Leitner, owner of the Megafund, in Lagos, Africa. Until John returned from Africa, Gary had never heard of the Megafund. The return date, as evidenced on the Itinerary, is December 20, 2004.

Mr. Gary Lancaster was already managing my IRA money, and my husband's IRA money in the Lancorp Fund. I personally spoke to Mr. Lancaster by phone, and asked him to transfer my IRA funds to the Megafund if his due diligence found the Megafund to be what we believed it to be. Mr. Lancaster did put our IRA funds into the Megafund, and we lost all our retirement money. If our son, Gary McDuff had "known" or "believed" the Megafund was a "Ponzi Scheme", he never would have allowed that to happen to us. He would have warned us if he had thought there was even a possibility of loss. Gary McDuff never saw proof of insurance, but Mr. Lancaster assured him that he had seen the policy that insured the Megafund. Gary "believed" him, and all the others, who said they saw the policy.

Gary's two young sons, who are ten and eleven years of age, are hurting from the separation they are experiencing since Gary's arrest in May of 2012. A prison sentence would be detrimental to them. This is a critical time in their lives. They need him now. Also, his adult son, who is mentally handicapped, has been released from the institution in Rusk, Texas in the past few days. He needs Gary's supervision. No one else in the family is equipped to provide that.

The persons who are responsible for the loss of our money are serving prison terms. Our son Gary is not responsible for our loss. In fact, we feel responsible for the nightmare he is experiencing now,

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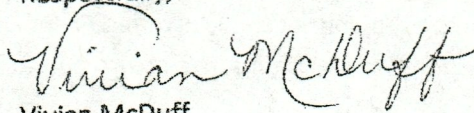
because my husband is the person who introduced him to the owner of the Megafund, whom he sincerely believes to be a man of integrity. By far, the greatest "victim impact" we are experiencing, is the possibility that our son may be facing a lifetime in prison because of that introduction.

In regard to the Lancorp Fund; At Gary's trial, I heard the Prosecution accusation that investors were deceived into thinking the Lancorp Fund was insured. I was an investor. I was not deceived. I received a notice from Gary Lancaster, notifying me that that it could not be insured because it had not reached the ten million dollar requirement for insurance, and instead, offered an "Obligation" from a "Qualified Bank". The letter gave me the option of signing the acceptance of the change, or requesting the return of my money. Mr. Lancaster notified me openly, and honestly told me of the changes. He gave me the option to stay invested or withdraw all my money before he began conducting business. I am very sure that the government has in its possession all the investor's signed agreements to the change, or their request for the return of their money. I feel the government should have told the jury the "rest of the story". A conviction should be based on the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

My request is for consideration of release for Gary. His father and I stand ready to assist him in any way we can to help him accomplish a constructive future.

I deeply appreciate your time spent in reading my letter, and for your consideration of my request.

Respectfully,

  
Vivian McDuff