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Subject: Greg Keough

Ms. Robin Waugh

U.S. Department of Justice

Dear Ms. Waugh;

My name is Charlie Gilbert. I am writing to you at the request of Greg Keough, who I understand has a pending legal issue before you. I am currently employed as Director of Intelligence at Gavin de Becker and Associates (<https://gdba.com/executives/charlie-gilbert/>). From 1990-2016 I was an officer in the Central Intelligence Agency. In addition to other assignments, I was a three-time Chief of Station and served as the Deputy Director of the National Clandestine Service. I am the recipient of the Distinguished Career Intelligence Medal, the Intelligence Medal of Merit, the Donovan Award, and other citations.

I came to know Mr. Keough very early in my career at CIA, when we were classmates during the intensive, two-year Career Trainee training program we both successfully completed to start our careers. During such an intensive course, one comes to know one's classmates very well. After our training program Mr. Keough went into operations in Latin America, while I went to the Near East, so we did not serve together after our two-year training. Nonetheless, we remained in contact and would occasionally socialize over the years, when we found ourselves in the same place at the same time, and we maintain many mutual friendships to this day.

I can gladly confirm that Mr. Keough was an Operations Officer with the Directorate of Operations, the clandestine arm of the CIA, and served his country with distinction. I can further confirm that while on assignment abroad Mr. Keough received the CIA's Intelligence Star – one of the Agency's highest awards for service and rarely awarded - for his actions when he went to the rescue of a fellow officer on July 19th, 1992. Mr. Keough's actions on that day were in the finest tradition of CIA officers' bravery and selflessness. I recall the message sent out to all CIA Stations citing and lauding Mr. Keough's efforts on that day.

While he saved an officer's life that day, another officer involved in the rescue perished. The details of that officer's enshrinement on the CIA's memorial wall are here <https://www.cia.gov/legacy/headquarters/cia-memorial-wall/> and give added context for Mr.

Keough's efforts. (Mr. Keough's name is omitted from the citation, due to the fact that Mr. Keough was under cover at that time.)

Please do not hesitate to contact me at this email address or the telephone numbers below if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Charlie Gilbert

Director Global Intelligence

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OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY

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The United States of America
Central Intelligence Agency

Citation

GREGORY S. KEOUGH
is hereby awarded the
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The United States of America

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To
GREGORY S. KEOUGH

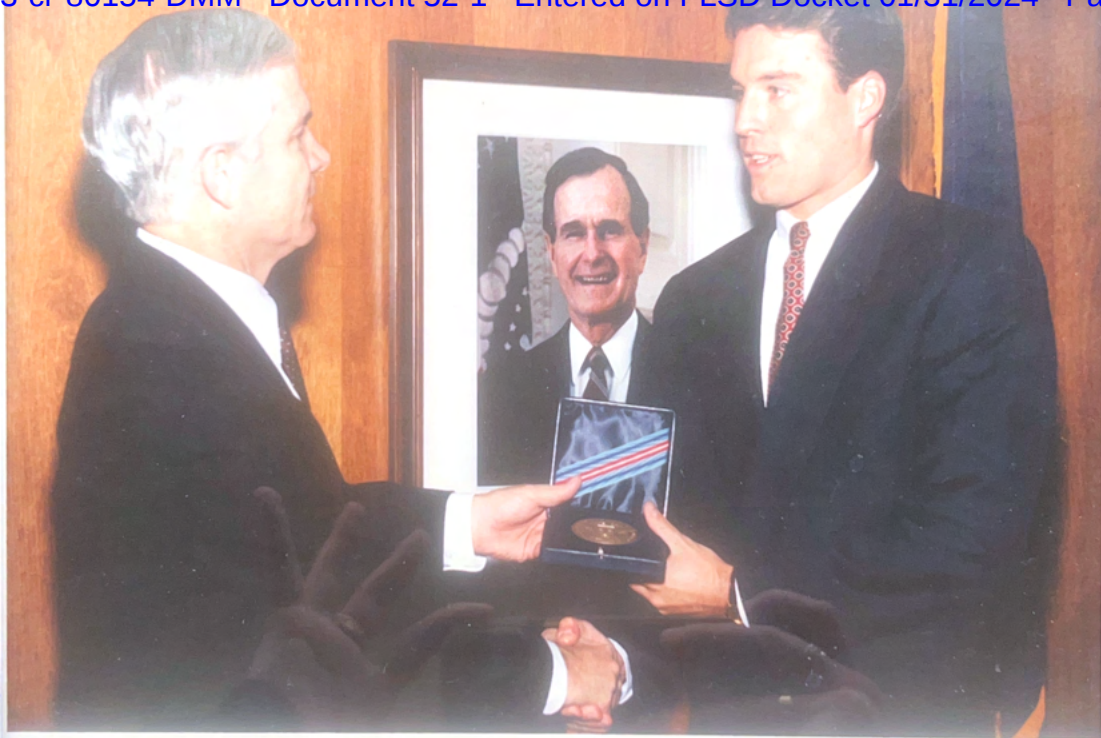
For extraordinary heroism

Given under my hand in the City of Washington, DC

29 September 1992

Robert Gates
Director of Central Intelligence





To Greg Keough - With admiration for your courage and best wishes
for the future. Robert Gates



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To: Waugh, Robin (USAFLS) <RWaugh@usa.doj.gov>
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] CIA Ops Officer & Intelligence Star Recipient Greg Keough

Dear Ms. Waugh

My name is Don Pepper and I wanted to let you know that I served abroad with Greg Keough in the Directorate of Operations, the clandestine arm of the Central Intelligence Agency in the early 1990's. I am a 13 year CIA veteran and in my last position at CIA I was responsible for counter proliferation of WMD in multiple Middle East and South Asian countries. I am currently CEO of VDI (<https://vdi.global/>). My wife Wendy was a senior official in the United States Government for 26 years and also served with Greg at the same U.S. Embassy.

We have known Greg and his family for over 30 years and were present when he met his wife abroad. I was Greg's office mate and I can confirm his former employment and honorable service with CIA. Greg is one of the few living recipients of the Intelligence Star due to his actions in rescuing a fellow officer on July 19th, 1992.

The other CIA officer who died in the rescue, Barry Castiglione [see link to CIA website below] is memorialized by one of the stars on the CIA's wall, of which there are roughly one hundred. One detail which I think is significant regarding this rescue is the fact that Greg, after having safely extracted the other officer at risk, went back into harm's way when no one else would, to recover the body of Barry to prevent his corpse from being lost at sea. I continue to consider Greg a loyal and trustworthy friend, who can always be counted on to do the right thing.

You can see more information on the CIA website and online at the links below:

Memorial Wall: <https://www.cia.gov/legacy/memorial-wall/>

Intelligence Star: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Intelligence_Star

Barry Castiglione (Posthumously): <https://www.cia.gov/legacy/honoring-heroes/heroes/barry-s-castiglione/>

If you would like any further information, we can be reached via my mobile phone at 1-703-932-9836 or the emails above.

Thank you and best regards,

Don and Wendy Pepper

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20 January 2024

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
United States District Court Judge
Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse
701 Clematis Street Room 257
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Your Honor,

I write to you as someone who has known Greg Keough and considered him a friend for over 30 years. We first met as classmates in a U.S. government agency training program, one which is highly selective and screens candidates for many characteristics including honesty, trustworthiness and overall character. Such characteristics are considered essential to suitability for employment by this U.S. government agency, given the sensitive duties and responsibilities that it entrusts to its officers.

Following graduation from this demanding training program, Greg and I shared an apartment for a year in the Washington DC area prior to deploying overseas on our first assignments for the U.S. government. While Greg could have sought a comfortable assignment in a stable country, this would not have been in keeping with his motivation for serving our country. Instead, he sought out the most challenging hazardous duty assignment available to him, combatting the threat of an armed communist insurgency, one in which a number of U.S. military and U.S. government civilians had been killed.

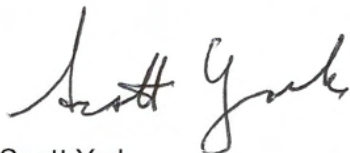
While serving honorably on this assignment, Greg further demonstrated selfless courage when he saved a fellow officer from drowning. The risk to self in this action was sadly demonstrated by the fact that another officer who also braved the hazardous seas to help, drowned in the rescue attempt. In recognition of his heroic action, Greg was awarded one of the agency's highest decorations for bravery.

Over the ensuing years I have also come to know Greg as a dedicated family man, in both good times and bad. When we were young bachelors I was repeatedly welcomed into his parents' home and treated like a member of the family. We were in each other's weddings. I have been welcomed into his home many times since, as his own family grew to five children. And I was again welcomed as a veritable member of the family when his mother passed away from cancer.

I know little of the actions which have brought Greg before your Court, nor can I pinpoint when or explain why Greg strayed from the more righteous path I have previously known him to be on. I feel badly for his family in particular, but I am also a believer in personal responsibility and accountability and I know that Greg will have to answer to your Court for any offenses he has committed. More importantly, I believe Greg knows this too. In conversation with me he has accepted responsibility and expressed remorse for his actions that have brought him to this point. He has spoken painfully of letting down those dearest to him, but also with a firm determination to spend his remaining years of life making it up to them. I think that returning to his family, as soon as your Court and the law will allow, is his highest priority. And in the wake of this searing experience, I cannot imagine that he would ever violate the law again.

I thank your Honor for affording me the opportunity to submit this letter. My hope and intent is that as your Honor considers sentencing for Greg, this letter may shine some light on positive aspects of Greg's character and history that are not apparent in his more recent actions that have brought him before your Court.

Sincerely,

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Scott York

January 20, 2024

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
United States District Court Judge
Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse
701 Clematis Street Room 257.
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Your Honor:

I convey the following words in support of Greg Keough, a close friend of 34 years. I am a retired senior officer of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Greg and I embarked on our CIA careers in the same year. While we started off as colleagues, we quickly became steadfast, life-long friends. We both cared deeply for our country, possessed a strong sense of mission, shared a love of family and a healthy fear of God.

I met Greg's parents from the very outset and got to know them and his brothers fairly well — a strong Irish-Catholic family with devout Christian values. During Greg's first overseas tour in El Salvador, he met and fell in love with his wife Ana Maria, the daughter of a respected businessman. After his tour, Greg resigned from government service, married Ana Maria and turned his focus to starting a family and exploring business opportunities in Latin America and the U.S. In the ensuing years, Greg, Ana Maria, his family and I continued our bonds of friendship.

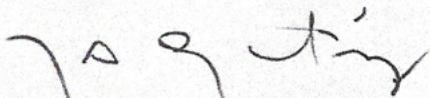
Greg is a devout family man, with a strong moral compass. He can always be counted on for support and guidance and to 'do the right thing'. It is who he is. That is why I am surprised, disappointed and saddened in his actions which led to his being before your Court. They are completely out of character for the man I know.

The COVID years were a trying, chaotic period for our country. After recent conversations with Greg, it seems clear to me that Greg lost his way and found himself way over his head amid the chaos. Greg recognizes that his bad decisions have had a devastating effect on his family and friendships, and greatly damaged his reputation. As a testament to his character, Greg has accepted responsibility for his actions and is prepared for whatever punishment you determine to be just. He is eager to put this process behind him so he can begin to make amends to society and to all those he has deeply hurt as a consequence. Most importantly, he yearns for the day he can return to his family, especially his young children who are understandably

confused and in need of their father.

Your Honor, as you prepare to render a final sentence and judgment, I hope you find these words helpful. I thank you for the opportunity to convey a positive side of Greg's character that may not be readily apparent in the legal record before your Court.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jaime A. Gutierrez". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a prominent "G".

Jaime A. Gutierrez



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January 19, 2024

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
United States District Court Judge
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701 Clematis Street Room 257
West Palm Beach, Fl. 33401

Dear Judge Middlebrooks:

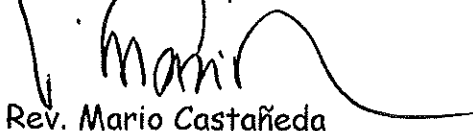
My name is Rev. Mario Castañeda, and I am the Pastor of St. Rita Catholic Church in Wellington, Florida.

I am writing this letter on behalf of Mr. Gregory Keough, who is a member in good standing here at St. Rita's Church and whom I have known for over 4 years. I know Mr. Keough to be a very devoted man to his faith, family and a hard and dedicated working person. He is also very compassionate, kind, and willing to help as well as very supportive of our church and a respected member, in this community of Wellington.

In my capacity as a Priest, Mr. Keough has confided in me his disappointment and remorse for his actions that have brought him to this situation and can assure you he is most repentant and has learned from his mistakes. I believe that an extended prison term will serve as a tremendous hardship for his wife and his 5 children, especially his son, Santiago, who is a special needs child.

I thank you in advance for your attention to this letter. It is regrettable that Mr. Keough is in this situation. While I am confident that you will uphold the justice required in this matter, I can only hope that you will render a judgement that is tempered by consideration and appreciation for his service to this country.

In His Service,



Rev. Mario Castañeda

Pastor

January 15, 2024

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
United States District Court Judge
Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse
701 Clematis Street Room 257.
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Judge Middlebrooks,

My name is Bill Keough and I am Greg Keough's older brother, so I've known him for his entire life. I live in the Seattle area with my wife Peg. We have twins (a daughter and a son) who just turned 30 and they are out on their own building their own lives.

Greg is a kind, generous, and spiritual person who is firmly committed to his family. The family we grew up in could be described as dysfunctional. After they retired my parents moved to Vero Beach in Florida and, after ignoring the symptoms of her illness for several years, our mother was diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer. At their home in Florida, even following her diagnosis, my father still expected her to cook and clean and serve him meals, the same way she had been doing for since 1959. When Greg visited them, he noticed how serious my mother's condition was, and how weak and frail she had become, no longer eating anything except protein drinks since that's all she could keep down.

Greg immediately realized how untenable the situation was. In the interest of our mother's well-being, he brought her and our father to live in his house in West Palm Beach. He moved his kids out of the largest bedroom in the house, rented a hospital bed, and did everything he could to make our mother comfortable. He called me and informed me of the situation and told me I should come to Florida now to spend some time with Mom during her last days. At the time, my wife and I were in a tenuous financial situation, so Greg bought a plane ticket for me to come to Florida. I am forever grateful for this, since this was the last time Mom was aware enough to interact with us. As you can imagine, the decision to bring a dying woman and her husband into his house for an extended period brought considerable disruption to his family's life; but Greg is the kind of person who won't hesitate to prioritize someone else over himself when he can see that they need help.

Greg is a person of great faith, relying on God to guide him through the many challenges he, like anyone, faces in this life. When we speak on the phone, Greg tells me 'the good Lord will show me the way.'

Greg has experienced his share of life's vicissitudes. He has experienced times when he was blessed with financial success, but also times of great difficulty. At one point some years ago, a number of factors put Greg and his family in great financial hardship, such that they even lost the house in which they were living, and he and his family frankly had nowhere to go. At a time like this you would expect that family members, living only an hour north of you, would provide some sort of moral or financial support, especially since this situation adversely impacted their own grandchildren. However, when he asked for help, my father offered to loan him \$1,000, despite their extremely sound financial

circumstances. (This took place several years before Greg took our mother in when she was ill.) This was the extent of the support they were willing to extend, so Greg wasn't sure what to do or where his family would live. At this point he put his faith in God, and he was astonished by the enormous generosity shown him by people he barely knew. One acquaintance had a small 'mother-in-law' house on her property and she offered to let his family live there rent-free until they got back on their feet – which they did. I remember talking to Greg on the phone after this happened and he was almost crying, so surprised and grateful he was that someone he hardly knew would come to their rescue during a time of such great need. I believe that this experience changed Greg, and made him seek out opportunities where he could provide the same kind of selfless support to other people who needed it.

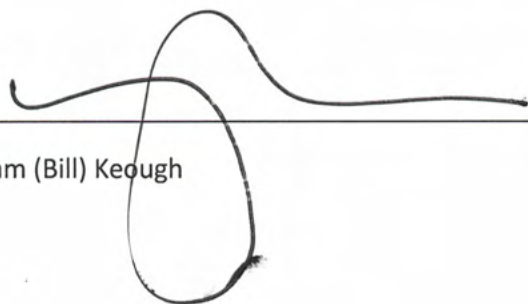
I have spoken frequently with Greg over the past 6 months. On multiple occasions he has mentioned this situation and how much he regrets his role in it. It is my experience that Greg is really owning his part in this affair and he is eager to do whatever is next required by the court so that he can close this chapter of his life and move forward.

Greg is a good brother, a good husband, a good father to his children. He clearly realizes that what he did here is wrong. Greg is committed to being there for his wife and his children. I feel very confident that Greg will never become involved in a situation like this again.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me directly at:

bill.keough@gmail.com or 206-799-3108.

Thank you for considering my thoughts in this matter.



William (Bill) Keough

15 Jan 2024
Date

Jonathan B. Keough
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Arlington, VA 22207

January 23, 2024

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
United States District Court Judge
Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse
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West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Subject: Character Reference for Gregory Keough

Dear Judge Middlebrooks,

I am writing to provide a character reference for my brother, Gregory Keough. I have known Greg for fifty-two years, and our relationship goes beyond friendship – he is my brother.

Greg and I, being siblings, have shared a lifetime of experiences and memories. We first met in the context of our family dynamics, and over the past fifty-two years, our bond has grown stronger through shared joys and challenges. Our familial ties have allowed me to witness his character in various aspects of life, reinforcing my belief in his inherent goodness.

In addition to our personal relationship, Greg and I have been business partners in several business endeavors over the years. Throughout our professional collaborations, Greg has consistently exhibited integrity, honesty, reliability, and a strong work ethic. In these ventures, he never displayed any questionable behavior or actions that would raise concerns about his character.

In terms of Greg's history and background, Greg comes from a stable family, is well educated, and dutifully served his country as an Operations Officer with the Central Intelligence Agency – where he was awarded a medal for saving a colleague's life. Despite the recent turn of events, I have always known Greg to be a person of integrity, kindness, and sincerity.

Greg is a compassionate individual who has consistently demonstrated a strong moral compass. He is known for his generosity, reliability, and dedication to his friends and family. Greg has been married for over twenty-nine years and is a devoted husband and father to five wonderful children who mean the world to him. His commitment to his family has been unwavering, and he actively participates in creating a loving and nurturing environment for his children.

Regarding the offense for which Greg is facing consequences, I firmly believe that it is an isolated incident and is certainly out of character for him. The circumstances surrounding the situation are not in alignment with his usual conduct. Greg has taken proactive steps to address the root causes and has shown a commitment to ensuring that such a situation will not recur.

During our conversations, Greg has expressed deep remorse and sorrow for the impact his actions may have had on others. I have witnessed him actively seeking forgiveness and making amends where possible. Additionally, he has sought professional guidance and counseling to address any underlying issues contributing to the situation.

In conclusion, I urge the court to consider the totality of Greg's character and the steps he has taken to rectify the situation. I am confident that he has learned from this experience and will continue to contribute positively to society.

Thank you for considering my perspective. If you require any further information or clarification, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JB', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Jonathan B. Keough
703-282-9562

January 21, 2024

Dear Judge Middlebrooks,

My name is Tim Keough and I'm writing with regard to Greg Keough's upcoming sentencing. Greg is my second oldest brother (out of four of us) and I've obviously known him my entire 50-year life. I've had the opportunity to not only have him as a brother and close friend, but also as a cofounder and partner in several businesses some years ago. My experience with Greg in both a personal and professional capacity gives me unique insight into his character. I could write many pages regarding Greg but have only highlighted a few anecdotes that I hope will help you gain a better perspective of him.

Growing up, my brothers and I were always very close. Despite our age differences, we definitely had, and still have, a tight family bond that was enhanced by our shared experiences. Greg and I in particular always had a special bond. I've always looked up to him for as long as I can remember. He was hard working, creative, fun and in all ways a steadfast brother. While I was quite young, we lived in a small town called Pound Ridge, New York, which was over an hour outside of New York City. From my recollections and many family stories, growing up was not ideal in Pound Ridge, particularly for Greg and my eldest brother, Bill. As the older two boys, they more directly felt the impacts of this situation than I or Jonathan. Even so, we were kids and enjoyed ourselves as best we could. When I was only five or six years old, I remember wanting to join the older kids in whatever they were doing. Despite being the youngest of the bunch, Greg made sure I was included while also making sure to keep an eye on me. When we moved from New York to Potomac, Maryland, I was saddened to leave my friends and go to a new place. Even though Greg was going through the same thing, I remember him telling me how it will be exciting to making new friends and move somewhere new and how it was going to be all right. This type of support and personal advice was a common characteristic of our relationship - he'd provide help and advice throughout my life.

As we grew up, Greg continued to provide support and help for me, our family, and friends. As an example, before we left New York, my parents pushed Greg towards acting and performing in commercials and television. I recall him having to travel alone to New York City to audition for various roles and parts after school on multiple occasions. Greg had success in acting and, with some frequency, traveled with my mother to film commercials for brands such as Burger King. In addition to acting, he also worked weekends at Rockrimmon Country club as a caddy. During this time, my father ended up out of work and seeking new employment and Greg provided his earnings to help support the family during this difficult period. When I really understood this later in life, I wondered how many of us would so easily help provide for our family in difficult times.

We were raised with a strong Catholic upbringing and faith. While many fall away from their faith as they become young adults, Greg's faith continued and even grew as he got older. I recall many occasions when Greg was going to mass and I didn't want to go, but he encouraged me to join. I know that Greg has faced multiple challenging situations through his life, and he leaned heavily on his faith to get him through these difficult periods. To this day, Greg has

continued to remain faithful and a very active Catholic, going to daily mass, supporting the church, and frequently aiding the community. I recall speaking with Greg earlier in 2023 discussing the financial and personal support he and his family were providing to individuals in need during the holidays - helping make their Christmas more joyful. Greg was always there to help where he could, and this help extended beyond his friends and family, to his community.

Early in Greg's career, he was working at the CIA and was stationed in El Salvador. While he was living in San Salvador, I was lucky enough to visit several times as well as live with him one summer as I interned with the U.S. Department of State at the U.S. Embassy where Greg was stationed. During his service in El Salvador, Greg saved the life of a fellow officer and was awarded the Intelligence Star for his actions. I was in attendance during the award ceremony (see the attached picture I still keep in my office) and recall the day vividly. While I will never forget going into the CIA headquarters and meeting the head of the CIA, the most impactful part of the day was seeing the gratitude of both the officer Greg had saved and the wife and young family of his comrade who died in the rescue attempt and whose body Greg had gone back into harms way to retrieve. It was truly a powerful and emotional experience I'll never forget.

Greg and his wife, Ana Maria, were fortunate to meet when he was living and working in El Salvador. In Ana Maria, Greg found someone that not only was a fantastic and loving person, but also shared his strong Catholic faith. Ana Maria's family quickly embraced Greg and grew to love him as one of their own. I think the most enlightening example of his commitment to family and friends was when I and my family were visiting Greg, Ana Maria, and their family for Spring Break in 2023. Tragedy struck when the car ferry that was taking Ana Maria's father, mother and two others was accidentally driven off the back of the ferry and the car quickly sank to the bottom of the lake. Upon hearing the news, Greg sprinted out of the house and quickly made his way to the site of the accident and proceeded to be one of the first in the water to try and save the occupants of the car. Unfortunately, only Ana Maria's mother survived the accident, but Greg selflessly attempted to save those in danger and even used diving equipment he secured to retrieve the bodies of those that died. Greg's actions in this instance and throughout his life demonstrate his character and his commitment to whatever it takes for family, friends, and community.

There are countless other scenarios where Greg has gone above and beyond and has helped when the situation is tough, or someone is in need. When my mother was diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer, Greg quickly stepped in taking her to appointments and moving one of his children to another room so that she and my father had a room at his house to stay with family. When she wanted to go home to her house in Maryland in her final days, Greg traveled with her and made sure she got home quickly and safely. Similarly, during COVID, Greg and Ana Maria welcomed with open arms their nephews who were stranded in the U.S. and couldn't return to El Salvador. Without any asking, they immediately provided room and board for them for many months until they were able to get back to normal life.

I have also worked with Greg and experienced his character and behavior in business settings. After Greg left the CIA, he returned to the DC area. Together we started a company that was one of the first to connect customers with mortgage and home equity lenders online. We

bootstrapped this company with our sweat and built a platform that was used by many lenders in the U.S. As we were building the company, we connected with some friends and family to discuss the potential to invest money in the company. We ended up obtaining a small investment from one of our friends - the only outside investor in the company. We attempted to raise more money from various firms, but to no avail and ended up selling the company, for no profit. I know many people that, upon losing their own investment would have told their investors (friends or not) that they had lost all their money. Greg, however, insisted we figure out a way to make our friend whole. We decided to give her equity in the next firm we started as well as engaging her as a contractor in that enterprise, making her more than whole on her investment. Greg always focused on meeting and exceeding the expectations of our customers and investors. I recall numerous conversations where we discussed how to go above and beyond for customers to further enhance and ensure a long-term relationship. As we continued to expand the business, he continuously kept in mind our investors and was diligent about communicating good and bad news with them, building a solid rapport and trust with those that backed our company.

When I learned of Greg's current situation, I was stunned and surprised. Based upon my life-long experience with Greg, this was truly out of character and not what I know of him. He has repeatedly expressed significant remorse to me, realizing that his actions affected not only himself, but also his immediate family, friends, and community. I know that Greg feels tremendous guilt and is anxious to atone for his actions and move forward. Being separated from his family is the most difficult thing imaginable for him. On multiple occasions when we've spoken, he has expressed a desire to get back to normal and move forward rebuilding his life. I am certain that this situation is a one-time blip on Greg's otherwise exemplary record throughout his personal and business life.

I am hopeful that this letter has provided you a better understanding of Greg. I would be happy to answer any questions Your Honor may have about Greg.

Respectfully,

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Tim Keough
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January 20, 2024

Your Honor,

I have known Greg Keough since 2001 when I began dating his brother, Timothy whom I later married. Over the last twenty plus years that I've known Greg, it is readily apparent how important family relationships and loyalty are to him. He is absolutely one of the people who I know will be the first to support and help in whatever capacity he can when there is need.

When I first met Greg at a dinner at his parent's home in Potomac, Maryland, I was nervous as it was the first time, I was meeting Tim's family. I remember being struck by how close they all were. There were lots of inside jokes and laughter around the table and an ease between all of them that spoke of their strong bond. Their family home had pictures over the years from when the boys were babies up in Pound Ridge, NY all the way from Baptisms and First Communions to high school and college graduations. The feeling of a tight knit family was clearly evident.

Tim and I married a few years later. By then, Greg and Ana Maria had moved to Florida. We stayed in contact and saw each other over holidays and at family events. In December of 2016, my mother-in-law, was diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer. We were all shocked and devastated. My in laws lived in Florida at the time, and Greg drove to pick them up the next day to have them stay with him and his family. Greg and Ana Maria worked tirelessly to get Mrs. Keough appointments with specialists and look for whatever options might save her. The diagnosis was bleak, and Greg stepped up immediately and offered to have his parents move in with their family at this challenging time. Clearly, she was going to need a lot of care in the short term and his father was going to need support as well. In no time at all, they had transformed one of their children's bedrooms into restful space for his mom. They had a hospital bed delivered to make her as comfortable as possible. They had their parish priest and other members of the congregation visit with her and pray by her side. She was incredibly thankful for this support. Ultimately, she decided that she wanted to return to her family home in Potomac for her last days. Greg and Ana Maria arranged a flight for her and helped settle her back where she wanted to be in the home where she had raised her four boys. She passed away a month later. Greg and Ana Maria planned a beautiful liturgy to honor her passing. Family comes first for Greg as is easy to see in the care he showed his mother.

Ana Maria is one of five children from a very close family who have embraced Greg as one of their own. With the passing of his mother and his own father's health failing with the onset of dementia, Greg's relationship with Ana Maria's parents became even stronger. This past March in 2023, my family and I flew down to visit Greg and his family in El Salvador for our children's spring break. We were excited as my daughters, and I had never been there. Tim hadn't visited since he was in his twenties and had lived there briefly with his brother for a summer while he did an internship. The plan was to see San Salvador and then visit Ana Maria's family's in Coatepeque. Our family as well as Greg and Ana Maria and their children went out to the lake where Ana Maria's parents were set to come and meet us the next day. A frantic phone call

came from someone at the ferry around the time of their intended arrival. It was hard to understand what was happening as everyone was speaking Spanish, but suddenly Greg took off sprinting down the hill onto the dock and into the boat. We later found out that tragedy had struck. Ana Maria's parents' car had accidentally driven off the ferry and into the lake. The car sank quickly and while Ana Maria's mother miraculously survived, her father, Antonio Cabrales, and two others perished in the depths of the lake. Greg was one of the first people at the scene. The lake is far from any urban areas with resources to help. Greg had to get diving equipment and personally went to get the bodies including his beloved father-in-law from the car. It was Greg who got the ferry to be cleared and operational again. Greg is the first to jump in and help no matter how difficult the situation.

These experiences demonstrated to me just how supportive Greg is for his wife and children in times of crisis. Greg's family means absolutely everything to him.

Greg has expressed over many conversations how devastated and sorry he is for his previous decisions which wrought such enormous consequences for himself and his family. He takes responsibility for his actions and is remorseful about what transpired.

This has been a very difficult time for Greg, Ana Maria and their children due to the months of separation and the looming uncertainty of the results these legal proceedings will bring. Greg has always been a very hands on parent who is at the dinner table every night, helps with homework and the bedtime routine, goes to mass with the family and attends all of his children's games and school events. My nieces and nephews keenly feel his absence in their lives and are anxious about what will happen to their father. Greg worries about them constantly.

My husband and I put our house as well as a sizable portion of our savings up as collateral for Greg's bail. We did so without hesitation because we knew Greg would never turn his back on family. He knows how difficult this time has been for his family and he would never get himself into a situation that would be a repeat of what has happened. Greg and Ana Maria share a strong marital bond that values both family and their faith. Greg is resolute in his commitment to make amends for his actions and put his life and the lives of his wife and five children back on a positive course.

Sincerely,

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Marie Keough

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
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Dear Judge Middlebrooks,

I have known Greg for almost 30 years. Greg is my brother-in-law I come from a family of 5 brothers and sisters and Greg is married to my youngest sister Ana Maria. While I went to school in the US and have lived here for a long time, I grew up in El Salvador during the civil war a time of constant violence, assassinations, bombings, and uncertainty. During this time, I met Greg, and while I knew he worked for the embassy I always wondered why someone would willingly come to El Salvador, as everyone else was fleeing the country. It wasn't until much later in life I learned he was there working for the CIA and of his service.

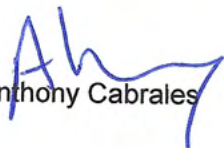
While we have always been close, we have become much closer over the last 6 months since Greg has been in prison and under house arrest staying with me here in Wellington. While I know he is going through a very difficult time, Greg is not one to complain and looks on how to make something positive out of a bad situation. He has used this time to redouble his efforts to get his life on track. To this day you can still see his government training and discipline, each day he is up early (prior to me), attending daily mass, reaching out to the family to see how they are and how he can help them, and working remotely to try and grow the small business they have started in El Salvador even though this is very difficult.

Something that really struck me, and I think tells a lot about who Greg is, is how he handled a recent issue. Several years ago, Greg and his family started a project to help underprivileged seniors in El Salvador assuring the most needy have a present at Christmas time. While most facing Greg's current reality would likely say we can't do it this year or cancel, Greg did the exact opposite. Even though difficult to organize from abroad, I saw him spend countless hours on the phone and organizing to make sure all went off without a hitch for the seniors who now participate and count on this annual program. They even added an additional senior center to the program. When Greg makes a commitment keeping it is a priority. For this reason, when he needed bail I didn't hesitate to put ALL my assets that I have earned over the last 60 years at risk as I knew when Greg came here it was to confront this issue head-on and he would always keep his commitment.

We have had a lot of time to talk and he has shared with me how his actions caused a lot of harm. He is incredibly remorseful and feels truly ashamed to have caused such a burden on his whole family and the community. I have no doubt that he has learned from his mistake and can assure you he will never get into a situation like the one he is facing again.

I am grateful for you taking the time to read this and hope this provides a little more flavor on Greg as a person. I know Greg stands ready and accepting of any punishment that comes his way but hope and pray that you may have mercy on Greg and his family.

Respectfully yours,


Anthony Cabrales

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Your Honor,

My name is Javier Keough, and I am Greg's eldest son. My father has played an instrumental role in shaping me into who I am today, serving as a role model who has significantly impacted my achievements.

My father has always lived with integrity, adhering to a strict moral code and an unwavering commitment to his values and beliefs. He has consistently emphasized the importance of doing what is right, even when no one is watching. I remember when a person who helped out on our farm, wanted to start his own business cutting lawns. My dad recognized his hard work ethic and was quick to lend a helping hand. This gentleman now cuts lawns for over 100 houses in West Palm Beach and has been very successful. This event left a lasting impression on me, as my father didn't need to help him, and he became so busy he could no longer help my father on the farm, but he was more interested in seeing a hardworking person succeed. I asked him why he helped him and he said everyone needs a hand to get started and that everybody that comes to the US should have a chance to succeed. This incident and many others demonstrate his stance on doing what is right, instilling in me an important life lesson and showing what it means to live with integrity.

My father has always been a generous person, continually finding ways to give back to the community. He and our entire family worked for many years at a church in Belle Glade to support a summer camp and many other activities. Over the past years he also organized a project called Santa for Seniors here locally, arranging gift-giving for underprivileged senior citizens in El Salvador who literally have no one. No circumstances, however extraneous, have stopped him from putting others first.

His generosity also extends to our family and friends. He has always been there for my siblings and me, whether it was attending my lacrosse practice, watching movies, or going on bike rides. He instilled in us familial values that have helped us through this experience. We always ate dinner together as a family, went to church together, and had lunch at the same restaurant every Sunday. My dad is an exemplary father and showed me the family values and the kind of father I aspire to be for my children. He will always lend a helping hand to someone in need, even to my friends. During High school, I had a very good friend Eric who was under privileged and came from a single parent household where drugs were an issue. He would stay at my house for weeks at a time to escape his homelife. My father always

graciously invited him into our home as one of the family and became like a father figure and role model for him. My Dad knew he was smart and encouraged him to continue his studies, and would go out of his way to assist him with his college interviews, revising his college applications and helping anyway he could. I know my dad made a large impact on the life of Eric who now is a Junior at Wharton. Every time I see Eric, he tells me how grateful he is for my Dad and families support.

This period of absence of my father has truly shown us how he is an essential foundation for our family. All the values he practiced and lived by were the tightly-knit fabric holding our family together. This experience has been incredibly painful and has forced me to mature much quicker than anticipated. I have paused my university studies due to financial burdens and have had to work on a business to maintain our family's well-being. The impact extends far beyond just myself; it has affected each one of my family members in immeasurable ways. My younger brother, Santiago, was my father's best friend. The impact on him is clear, not only to his school teachers but also to his family members. He isn't the same without our dad – no one is.

Although this period has been difficult for everyone, it has also provided an opportunity for us to connect with my father on a different level. During his house arrest, we have spent most of our days talking on the phone, through both Facetime and audio calls. I have come to understand just how remorseful my father is about this incident. My Dad truly recognizes his wrongdoing and is prepared to face the consequences. On numerous phone calls, he has expressed his deep remorse for this situation and his earnest desire to do whatever is necessary to be able to return to our family. While I am not fully aware of all the details of the situation, I can assure you of one thing: my father is a good man, filled with regret, and I know he would do anything to be back with his family. Judge Middlebrook, I implore you to show mercy not only for my dad but also for our family, a family that is incomplete without the presence of their father.

Sincerely,

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Javier Keough

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks
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January 20, 2024

Your Honor,

I am Greg's second child and eldest daughter.

My father is a businessman, a proud server of this country, a family man. My father grew up as the second child of 4 boys to a humble family. Since a very young age my father worked in order to enjoy the qualities of any young kid since my grandparents (his parents) did not provide him with much, even charging him rent to stay in his own room when he was older. My father grew up in a strict family where rules were rules and one had to earn their place in the family. His parents were not nearly as generous with him as my father has been to me and my siblings. However, my father is much more than just these things, to me he is not only a father but a hero.

Your Honor I would like to mention some things you don't know about my father. My father is the most selfless person you will ever meet. I have seen my dad sacrifice for me and my four siblings, for my mother, my family, and even strangers. My dad is willing to give up his own life and put himself in harm's way to keep someone else safe. This kind of selflessness is rare to find. Not only is he selfless but he is generous. Throughout my 19 years of life my dad has taught me not only to put others first but give back to others. My father always found a way to give back to those in need whether it was locally in Belle Glade, in our church community, and especially in El Salvador. A couple years ago my father came across a newspaper ad for underprivileged senior citizens with simple Christmas wishes. Immediately after seeing this ad my father called upon my family that something must be done. With his help we were able to donate gifts for all the seniors and it has become a tradition to our family. While most people in my father's situation would just postpone or delay the recent annual Christmas support, even though he was under house arrest, he spent countless hours working with me and my family and doing whatever he could remotely to make sure the hundreds of seniors that the program supports had a good Christmas (see this year's pictures attached). These strangers were able to have a lovely Christmas. To my Dad these were not strangers rather people in need who he could help.

My dad has constantly demonstrated that life isn't easy, and it requires hard work. This quality dates to his humble beginnings when he started working at the age of 9. Nevertheless, no matter the position my father is in, my dad has always lived life with a humble mentality. It wasn't until recently I came to know the real hero that my dad has been in regard to his service to the USA, something my dad has never mentioned nor boasted about.

I would also like to share with you my dad's biggest mantra, which is to always do the right thing, especially when no one is aware or looking. For my father things are black and white there is right and there is wrong. He always encouraged us to understand that doing the right thing isn't always easy but it's necessary. This message clearly transcends into my daily life and is a message that he always exhibits. Whether it's in his honesty and teaching us that the truth is always the only way out or through his everyday actions teaching us through his own example.

Now one of my father's most admirable qualities is his faith. God for him is his number one priority. My father has made sure to live his life as a Child and follower of Christ. Dedicated and never missing Sunday mass even going to daily mass as much as he can. Not only does he worship God but he practices his ways giving back to the church and others as much as he can, and through his sacrifices he is a great example of a true Catholic.

While all these qualities are beyond commendable, I would not know any of this if it wasn't for the unwavering presence of my father. My dad has and is always present. I was always so appreciative that he was able to accompany me for every

important moment of my life. This is why I'm so sad that over the last 6 months he has been away my siblings had to be without him in some of the most important moments of their lives. It was my father who would make sure that we all gather for all our meals together. Being very traditional, we sit down with no technology and just enjoy the presence of each other, regardless of if it is dinner, lunch, or our Sunday meals after church. Our meals together filled with conversations are one of the fondest memories I have growing up in my household. Because of the 19 years of dinners that I have had surrounded by my father I am able to share with you how truly amazing he is. My dad has never asked for more in life. I would say that the only thing he has ever wanted was to be able to sit at a table with his 5 kids and his wife and enjoy the laughter, stories, and our presence. His dedication and guidance have made us the united family that we are today. It hurts me to even imagine a life where he is not present, a life where he won't be seated at the head of our table. Without his daily guidance and example in our lives things will be very difficult. Especially for my youngest siblings who unlike me haven't been able to enjoy as many memorable moments along his side.

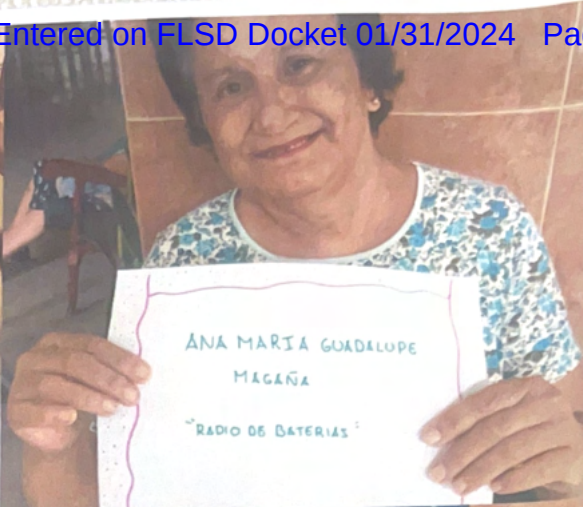
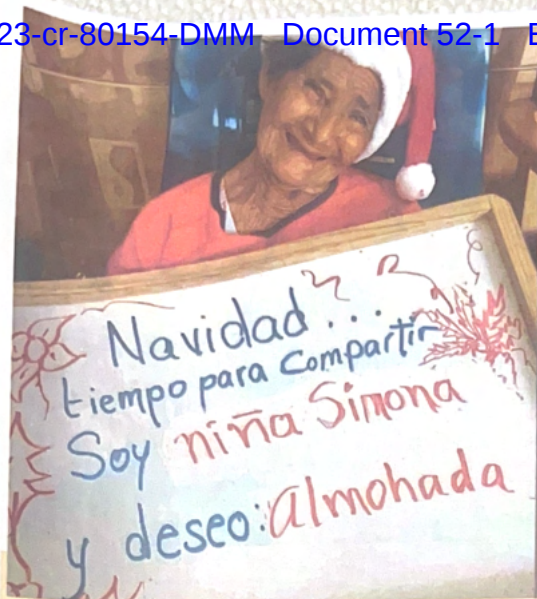
My dad would never do anything to take his presence away from us ever again. I know that what hurts him the most is the fact that he can't be here for us. I know he acknowledges his mistakes and would never again do anything to jeopardize his time which could be spent with his family. Throughout this whole process I have seen my dad reflect and grow from this situation. Admitting to me his mistakes. I have seen how this situation has allowed him to grow even further in his character and qualities.

Your Honor, my father is many things selfless, caring, honest, humble, loving. He is an exemplary Father, he is a devoted husband, a loyal brother, a caring son, a true friend and a human. I just hope some of these qualities may be considered as you make your decision.

Sincerely,

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Sabrina Keough







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Dear Judge Middlebrooks,

My name is Alexia Keough, I am 17 years old and Greg's youngest daughter.

My entire life I have seen my dad as a real life superhero. He is a loving father, an exemplary husband and a great friend to all people. I have never known another individual as giving and selfless as my father. He has always helped any individual, even if it means putting his life or safety at risk. This is a quality that I believe separates him from many people. The first time I got to hear about his work in the CIA and the story on how he gained a prestigious medal through a tremendous self sacrifice, I realized how brave and amazing my father truly is. It is so difficult to put one's own self and well-being at risk for the lives of others, yet, my father does so without hesitation.

My dad is a righteous and faithful man who never loses hope. He has shown me what it means to live a genuine & true life: always rooted in gratitude, faith and generosity. He introduced me to the magic of serving and helping others. From visiting and volunteering at the church in Belle Glade FL to helping senior citizens and school children in El Salvador he inspires me every single day to make a difference in the lives of others. My dad has introduced many community service projects of which we all have done as a family.

My dad is a simple and strong man who adapts to any situation, and despite his upbringing and the difficult situations he has faced, he never gives up. He understands what it is like to come from nothing and to not have been given anything to build up from. He has had many achievements, but also plenty of setbacks. One of my fathers most used mantras, a staple in the Keough household is this: "Nothing in this life comes easy so if you are going to do something don't take the easy way out, and do it right." Because of this he has taught me what it means to work hard and dedicate myself to doing what's correct even if it can be difficult at times.

Family tradition is a huge staple to the Keough household, and many of my family's greatest values are thanks to my father. Apart from regularly sharing family meals, my dad has assured us that each Sunday is reserved for praising God. Ever since I can remember I have grown up attending Sunday mass and enjoying a family lunch after church with my entire family. I can always remember my childhood home, constantly busy and loud. My father always loved having others join our family discussions at the dinner table and even Sunday

mass. I will never forget when one of my closest friends stayed to sleep at our home for extended time and she got to experience the warmth of our full house and even went to church with us. She expressed how much she admired my family and our unity. She was also impressed on how although we were a big family my dad welcomed anyone to join the Keough household.

Being separated from my dad these past few months has been extremely difficult. And I cannot begin to imagine what extended time without my dad would be like. But I know it would consist of me losing my best friend— the person who makes me laugh and smile the most, my biggest supporter and the sole reason I am the girl I am today. I have no idea what the future holds for him or my family but I know it would be very hard to have him miss the multitude of holidays, birthdays, my graduation, and especially the invaluable childhood of my younger siblings.

I can say with confidence my father regrets and is sincerely apologetic for any role that he has had in this situation. I know that he will never be involved in such a thing again. I think this has given my father a greater appreciation for the company of his family and a greater trust in God. I know my dad would just like to return to us and continue a life out of any trouble. I used to think my father would never cry, at least I have never seen him shed a tear. However, during this period of time away from us and this time of reflection I have seen my father suffering lots.

Overall my dad has unwavering faith, a compassion for all people, a giant heart that gives back to humanity and the ability to sacrifice anything and everything in order to help those in need. I believe my father is the epitome of a real life superhero and anyone who has had the pleasure of knowing him can attest to the great man he really is. Your Honor I hope you and God will show mercy on my father during this difficult time. Thank you for your time in reading this.

Sincerely,

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Alexia Keough

The Honorable Donald M. Middlebrooks

United States District Court Judge

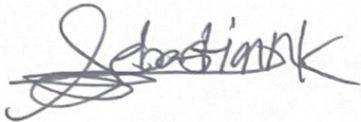
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Your Honor,

I am Sebastian Keough, Greg's fourth child. I know your time is valuable so I am going to keep it short and sweet with three main lessons I have learned from my dad. The first one is telling the truth. My dad has always said "the truth can be blamed, but it never can be shamed". In one instance my Dad and I were leaving a home depot to go back home. My father missed a stop sign and got pulled over. From the very moment the police officer came to the window my dad treated him with the utmost respect and told the truth. He admitted immediately to his mistake without hesitation. I asked my Dad why he was so nice to the police officer. My Dad told me that you admit when you're wrong and no matter what: tell the truth and treat people with respect. This is the most honorable thing a man can do. Another key trait my Dad has instilled in me is that with God everything is possible. When my grandfather had a tragic death it was very hard for me but I remember my Dad telling me at the wake that everything was going to be ok and that this was just a bump in the path God has for me. My family and I go to church every Sunday and as a kid I wanted to know why it was so important to sit a place for an hour, sing songs read books and eat bread, my Dad explained to me that all the blessings we have come from God and that the least we can do is go to church to express our gratitude by going to worship Him. The third and final trait my Dad has passed down to me is hard work and dedication. I think my dad did not have a very good childhood and he always wanted to give me and my 4 other siblings the opportunity to do what we love

and work the hardest so we can achieve the goals we have set for ourselves. I play golf and I am a very talented golfer. My Dad is always trying to motivate me and help me better my skills so I can do the best I can and I really love that about him that no matter what it is sports, work, a diet or whatever it may be, he is willing to support me and my siblings and give us opportunities that he didn't have. My Dad is always open to helping anyone no matter what the situation may be. My Dad has always been an honest man and he admits when he is wrong. These past months his absence has been very hard. I miss talking to my Dad and going fishing or having him come to see me play golf. When he has talked to me he has expressed his deep sadness and how sorry and repentant he is for taking a part in what went on. Thank you so much for taking your time to listen to me.

Respectfully,

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Sebastian Keough

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Dear Judge Middlebrooks:

Gregory Keough is my husband of 29 years. I have known him for 31 years of my life. Together, we have built a beautiful family. We have five children Javier, Sabrina, Alexia, Sebastian, and Santiago.

God couldn't have given me a better husband to be the father of my kids, my best friend, and an incredible human being. He embodies all the qualities a man should have. He is a self-made man, with strong values, great faith and immeasurable love for faith and family. He belongs to the "Yes Mam" "Yes Sir" generation. The generation of "please" and "thank you". He has always been a true gentleman from opening the door of the car for me to being a provider to our family and a father who is always present for his kids. I recall an instance when we were dating and driving in the middle of the night and there was a man laying at the side of the road. We were turning and Greg made a point to go back to the spot and help the man. That was when El Salvador was a very dangerous place. I recall that I didn't want him to stop because we could be assaulted. He insisted. When we stopped to help the man, he was just drunk and taking a nap on the side of the road. The man was happy to see this white man and started laughing. Greg made sure he was safe and took him to his home.

Greg is a doer; he will go the extra mile to help people because he belongs to the generation of "no man left behind". Some years ago, he was the first one who volunteered to travel with my Dad when he had to be emergency evacuated in an ambulance plane from El Salvador to the United States. That is what Greg does. He is a courageous man who you can always count on when someone needs help. Just 9 months ago my dad had a tragic accident. His car fell into a lake when they were crossing in a ferry. My mom was able to get out and made it out alive. My dad and two others died. Greg immediately went to try and rescue them but could not reach them in time and was left to recover the bodies. This is the type of human he is. He is a brave man who I can assure you will risk his life for you.

Maybe it has been his exemplary behavior that made my son this past August when he heard Greg was being held in prison tell me immediately "Mom I'm not going back to college I won't leave you alone without Dad" and from that moment just like his Dad would have done he has been working and helping me with everything and being like a Dad to his little brother who is 11 years younger than him. I believe my son learned about sacrifice and generosity from his dad.

When I met Greg 31 years ago, one of the qualities I loved the most was he was a generous person whose leadership and integrity were impressive. While we were dating he helped a child that lived on the street and took care of cars outside the gym he went to. The kid was working because he didn't have any money. Greg paid for all his schooling and reviewed his grades with him each semester and encouraged him to get a good education. This example showed me something about him and his good heart. He paid for my college education as well. His generosity has always surprised me and even when sometimes I don't endorse it, like when he gives money to a homeless man on the street he always says to me that it is not for us to judge how he will use the money and God will take care of it. Even when we haven't been in a position to be generous, he continues to do it.

Although his parents might not have been just with him, physically abusing him, sending him to work outside the house from a very young age. Greg never hesitated to be a good son and was there for his mom and family when my mother in law was diagnosed with cancer. He opened our house to his parents and took care of his mom and we had her sister and brother visiting and all Greg's brothers too. It would take pages to describe what an amazing and involved father he has been. He has always been there for the kids and has been instrumental in providing them with solid values, work ethic and faith. He is a family man. All he has ever done is work to give us the best life possible. He wants to provide his kids with all the opportunities he didn't have. I could enumerate so many more examples of his generosity, for example during Covid we took in my two nephews, even though

we were in a difficult economic situation, who didn't have where to go and could not fly back to El Salvador. They lived 5 months with us.

This situation has devastated our family and most especially my two youngest sons who Greg spent so much time fishing, biking and simply hanging at home with them. I have witnessed firsthand Greg's fortitude during these past months. This event has truly helped him understand that we are not in control and he has surrendered to the will of God. I have no doubt that Greg will be able to turn his mistakes into a positive change in this journey of life. I have seen how he has already changed positively in many ways. I know just being away from his kids has been a tremendous trial and seeing his kids suffer has broken him. He has asked many times for forgiveness and I know he is really sorry for his actions and for causing the kids and me all this pain. He says it to me every time we talk. Your honor, rest assured he has learned his lesson and would never commit such mistakes again. Being away from his family these 6 months has already been a terrible punishment for Greg.

When he flew to the United States in August he came ready to face the charges and accept the consequences and put this chapter of his life behind. We are very grateful for my brother and my brother in law and sister in law who put up everything they owned and had acquired over their lives so that Greg could be released on bond and they paid the bond. They and their children would literally be out on the street if Greg didn't do the right thing. I know they didn't hesitate to do this because they know what kind of person Greg is. They knew he is someone who will stand by his word and who keeps his promises and his character was enough warranty. They trust him because they know the person he is. I'm confident Greg is very sorry and remorseful for his wrongdoing and beg you to have mercy on Greg and our family.

Sincerely,



Ana Maria Keough

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Your Honor:

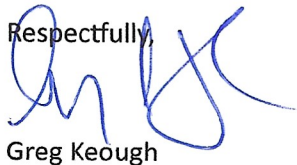
I am ashamed and disgraced as I write this letter to you. I have let down my family, country, friends, community, and myself. Through my actions, which are 100% my responsibility, I have destroyed the life I built up over the last 50 plus years, but much worse I have harmed innocent people in the process. I have greatly damaged all those who I care most for in my life and destroyed my honor.

Perhaps what hurts the most is the fact that I am a hypocrite, something I despise. I have preached to my children to do the right thing even when no one is looking, but here, I did not live up to this ideal. This will remain a black mark on my conscience until my dying day.

I am deserving of whatever punishment is leveled upon me. My only desire is to do whatever is necessary to try in some way to make amends if possible and put this incident and personal failure behind me and get back to my family in El Salvador to rebuild the broken trust and try to make up for the disappointment and shame I have brought on all those that know me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Greg Keough