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Re: Mr. P. F. Lazor (C-73842)

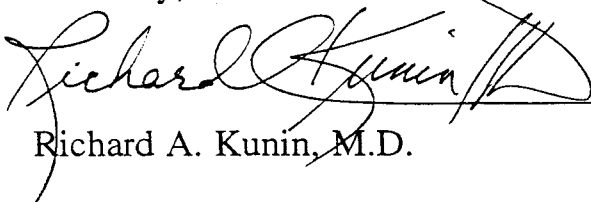
I have known Mr. Lazor as a patient since 1979 because of his symptoms of fatigue, spells (evidently related to blood sugar instability), insomnia, fibromyalgia and multiple allergies and environmental over-sensitivities. In retrospect it is apparent that he is intolerant of both milk (lactose intolerance) and wheat (gluten intolerance). I mention these medical facts because they have adversely affected his relationships with prison authorities.

I hope this has not confused the Board regarding his eligibility for parole. In my personal visit to Mr. Lazor and my occasional correspondence with him, I am amazed at the grace, intelligence and fortitude with which he has endured his prison years. He was a charming and promising young man when he first came to me for medical help. He seems now to be sadder and wiser—not bitter. Frankly, I admire him.

I have read through his appeal records again because my mind boggles at the seeming injustice that has clouded this case from the outset. I honestly believe that this man was convicted mostly because he lacked the funds to obtain adequate counsel. The records point to self defense at the crime scene and poor defense in the court-room.

It is painful to see a good man kept in prison longer than necessary. If there is anything I can do to help you understand Mr. Lazor, to be accurate and fair to him and society, I will consider it my civic duty. His life history is reassuringly free of delinquency and violence. His positive character has been attested by scores of friends. His ex-boss vouches for him as a successful person. He continues to produce quality music while in prison. At the risk of sounding corny, I beg you: FREE P. F. LAZOR-NOW.

Sincerely,



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Dear P.F.:

It has been too long since our last contact. I am unhappy to find that you are still incarcerated. I received the most recent "P F Flyer" and called Roger Barker. I also called the Board of Prison Terms to ask when your hearing might be. I was told that it would be coming up in May, not March. I also asked if it is possible to see the report of the last parole hearing. It seems to me that this might help to ascertain what the board needs to know to help them arrive at a more accurate assessment of your background. If I have the correct information about the upcoming hearing, there is enough time so that I may be able to get some media attention, if you think that would help.

I am sending a letter to the Board right away, just to be certain that it will be there in time for your hearing, in case the information I received was incorrect.

Sincerely,


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