

November 14, 2011

Honorable Michael E. Pastor  
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Dear Judge Pastor,

As Conrad's mother, I was a dress maker who made bridal gowns and cakes as a profession. The income from this business helped to cover Conrad's early education expenses. I have always been active in my community starting with being a Brownie (Girl Scout) teacher, to teaching arts and craft to community members. I also received certificates in first aid and home nursing. I am a staunch member of Brentwood Baptist Church in Houston, and also a member of their Cancer Support Ministry.

I was married in 1960, for 48 years to be exact, before my husband passed away from cancer on November 24, 2008. This was exactly 7 months and 1 day before my world was turned upside down with my son being accused in the death of Michael Jackson. Thanksgiving day this year would be three years since my husband passed away so on that day I will be filled with memories of his passing and the overwhelming sadness that I now suffer at the age of 80 because my first born child and my only son has been incarcerated.

While growing up, Conrad was a very obedient, caring and respectful child. I had no problems with him at home, in school or otherwise. I taught him to be respectful especially to his elders and to treat others with kindness and compassion always; that behavior has stayed with him to this day. He is honest and loved by all who really knows him. He is referred to as a gentleman by all who know him. He never drank alcohol, took drugs or smoked cigarettes in his life. He and I have always had a close relationship as mother and son and there is that special bond with him being my first born. He brings a special joy to my life that has been taken away because of his current situation.

His relationship with his family, children and friends has been a positive force in his life. His children will be greatly affected by his incarceration because he is their only source of support especially for their education. Please consider this Judge Pastor..

This is the first time he is facing such an ordeal. Nothing like this has ever happened to him before. He has never been in trouble with the law before and I am barely standing, scared and worried sick about him being incarcerated. He is saddened and remorseful about the death of his friend Michael Jackson and I do believe he is certainly learning the toughest lesson of his life. I also believe his compassion and his soft heartedness for others led to this dilemma and what a debt to pay.

From the tender age of 7 Conrad declared he wanted to be a doctor and worked to save money in order to follow his dream. Conrad achieved his life long dream of being a doctor in 1989. It was one of my proudest moments to see him achieve that dream.

His reputation as a physician is excellent as acknowledged by his patients and his colleagues. He is committed to his patients and never hesitates to care for anyone even if they could not afford healthcare. His first passion is being a doctor, and saving the lives of his patients

I sympathize with Mrs. Jackson as a mother; I feel her pain for having lost her son. I sense she was very close to her son. I really wanted to approach her personally and tell her I am sorry for the loss of her son but I was unsure if she would be receptive, and I did not want to take the chance of violating the courts rules. I am sorry for her loss.

Judge Pastor, Conrad, is my son and as a mother I must say I know him inside out. He is sorry for what happened to Michael and had no ill intent towards him. I humbly beg for your heart felt consideration of everything I have said about Conrad, and ask for your compassion and leniency in giving him probation or community service.

Thank you Judge Pastor for your consideration of my request.

Respectfully,

*M. Rush*

Mrs. Milta Rush