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REV. TERENCE D. ENGLER, PASTOR



Honorable Robert E. Larsen

Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge

400 E. 9th St. 6th Floor

Kansas City, MO 64106

Re: Case #10-00320-18-CR-W-DGK

Your Honor; April 3, 2012

I am writing you today regarding Margot Charlene Davison, who is a part of Case #10-00320-18-CR-W-DGK, which I understand is to be heard in your Courtroom later this year.

I don't know, nor do I pretend to know all of the details of this Case; all that I know is the nature of relationship that has developed between Ms. Davison and myself, since I became her Pastor in the summer of 2011. At the time that I met her, she definitely "wore" the scars of a lifestyle that apparently resulted in her arrest on these charges. Having become her Pastor after having worked in Prison Ministry in the State of Kansas, and having served as a Counselor for the InnerChange Freedom Initiative Program at Ellsworth County Correctional Facility, it seemed that she was drawn to my ministry, and the concern that I have for both men and women in her situation. That being said, Charlene (as I know her!) began attending my Church regularly, surrendered her heart and life to Jesus Christ, and has been steadily growing in spiritual maturity and wisdom. It's very important to me that you understand that because of my history in Prison Ministry, I do not take every "conversion experience" very seriously until I see a consistent, dedicated daily "walk" that testifies to the genuineness of the experience! I can now say, with a great deal of integrity and thankfulness, that I have seen that level of "change" in Charlene's life! She is in Church every time the doors are open, whether for Sunday Services, Midweek Bible Studies, and even Prayer Meetings. She desires to become a Facilitator in a faith-based Recovery Program, "Freedom From Addiction", which I began teaching 7 years ago, and which was approved by the Kansas Parole Board as a "faith-based alternative" to secular AA, NA, and SA. This is a tremendous tool of Recovery for those dealing with addictive personalities, and it would be a great benefit to have someone such as Charlene to be a part of the Class as more than just a participant, since she is keenly aware of the struggles of an addict!

I do not know what awaits her in regard to this case; I do know that she understands the serious nature of her offense, and because of her changed life, she has committed herself to never returning to such a lifestyle in the future, and I can vouch for the sincerity of her commitment. If she perhaps is given the opportunity to contribute to her Church and her community as a productive citizen, rather than having to face incarceration, I am quite sure that she will be one of the "successes" that are all too-few-and-far-between in this situation. I can assure you that I personally, along with the congregation of Central Assembly, will pour into her life all of the structure, discipline, and accountability necessary to insure that the changes that God has brought to her life will be fully developed.

Therefore, I humbly ask for your kind consideration of all of this when deciding the fate of Charlene Davison; the risk of relapse for her is minimal, and I say that with all of the confidence I can find, having worked with more than 350 men and women in her situation over the past 8 years. I believe that she has earned the opportunity to be given a second chance at life, and again, I only ask that you consider what I have shared with you in this situation, as you prepare to rule in this Case.

I do want you to know that, as a Pastor of a Church Congregation in the Kansas City metro area, we hold you and all of our Government Officials in the highest of esteem! We pray for you regularly, that God would instill all of His wisdom, compassion, and discernment into your life, to protect you, and your family, and to reward you richly for your service to our community! Thank you on behalf of the Congregation of Central Assembly of God, and may God's blessings be upon you richly!

Respectfully,

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