

July 5, 2011

Dear Judge,

Hello my name is Niquila and this letter is in regards to the character of Brice Hale. It is my sincere hope that you will read this letter and any other letter about Brice outside of this case.

Brice and I met a little over a year ago. We have become very close and I'm proud to call him friend. He has been there for me when times have been tough. He helped me to pray and praise God when I thought God had left me. I am forever grateful to him for helping me through a dark time in my life. Brice is a great listener and gives his best effort when giving advice.

The things I love about Brice the most is how he loves and treats his family, the way he treats me and his no nonsense attitude. He absolutely adores his sister. She is very dear and special to him. He has helped his nephew; something I respect and applaud him for in a time where fathers don't want to raise their own children. Seems he did a pretty good job seeing that his nephew is now a student at a university/college. I'm sure he has taught him the skills he will need to succeed and to be a great man. He

has been gracious enough at times to give me tips and advice regarding my teenage son at times.

Brice has always been a complete gentleman when handling me. Storybook type; caring, never raising his voice, gentle but strong and spoils me. In his presence I feel special, like a lady. He has been a shining example of what a man should be to a woman.

The honesty and directness that he sets forth is powerful. You know how he feels and what you are going to get. He is a man that does not participate in foolishness or foolish talk.

Over the year and some months I've known him I have learned that Brice **IS** caring, loving, honest, hardworking, fun and sweet. Between me and you your Honor I hope he marries me. In my 31 years I have never met anyone like him. He is a whole person that adds more value and happiness to my life. He is a valued and needed friend (he prays for me and I him).

My goal is to preserve his beautiful soul. I hear people talk about men going to prison one way and coming out another. His soul is the light in his eyes when he smiles at me, it's what drives him to read his bible daily. It's the soul that is fused with mine.

Your Honor I am respectfully asking that you please not send him to prison. Brice has dreams and aspirations that he would like to see come true and achieve. I ask that you not defer these things. He can be a great asset to society, prison would make him a liability.

When ~~considering~~^{making} your decision please consider these questions: How can he be a brother in there? How can he continue to mentor his nephew in there? How can he marry me in there? Or to be more diplomatic how much will it cost^{to} have him in there versus what he could contribute to the economy?

In closing I just want to simply say Brice Hale is one of the good guys. And on a softer note please don't lock my love away because then there will be no one to take care of my heart.

Sincerely,
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15 June 2011

To Whom It May Concern

Brice Hale

When I think about Mr. Brice Hale, I think about someone who has had so much influence in my life. One of a kind, a leader on all fronts, passionate and loving, he is more than a brother or a friend. I met Mr. Hale over 10 years ago at a time when I needed someone to be there for me and guide me through a tough time. Alongside him, we have both developed into stable, devoted, caring and warm individuals.

He has explained the charges against him, as well as expressed his great remorse.

Yours,

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Brandi Garrett

June 15, 2001

Your Honor

Brice Hale

I have known Brice Hale for 5 years. He has been a very good friend.

He is a man of great integrity and moral standing. A great role model for my 6 year old son, his influence is priceless.

Furthermore, when I had trouble with my son 1 year ago, he stayed with Mr. Hale for 4 days and I haven't had any problems with him since.

For your information, I started out working with Mr. Hale and our business relationship has progressed just as our personal one has.

He has explained the charges against him and is deeply remorseful.

Yours faithfully,

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Stephanie Hatchett

15 June 2011

To The Sentencing Judge

Your Honor,

Brice Hale

My name is Kimberly Allen and Brice Hale is someone very near and dear to my heart. He came into my life over 10 years ago and ever since, has been like the son I never had. He's a hard worker, honest and trustworthy, loyal and generally compassionate towards those around him. From a shoulder to cry on or ear to vent in, whatever anyone needs, Brice is the one to call on. Over the years, spending time with him and watching him grow has turned into a daily activity.

He has explained to me the charges against him and expressed great remorse.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Allen

15 June 2011

To the Sentencing Judge

Your Honor

Brice Hale

My name is Erica Williams and Mr. Brice Hale is a great friend to me. Over the past 4 years he has become more than a friend to my son and I. Taking on the roles of mentor, father figure, brother and more he has proven to be someone that everybody should have the pleasure of knowing. Dependent, peaceful, understanding and dedicated are only a few words that describe the man I have come to know.

He has talked about the charges against him and is very remorseful, yet eager to become an even better man.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Erica Williams".

Erica Williams

To whom it may concern:

What defines the word father? Webster defines it as a male parent, it failed to state if the male parent had to be biological or someone in which is sent into your life. My name is Avion Kincade I was born in the middle of nine children in the inner city of Saint Louis. I met Mr. Hale when I was in the eighth grade, at the time I was homeless, failing school, and I had just obtained my second charge as a juvenile. Mr. Hale attended my football practices, and was known among the players as big brother. Mr. Hale always spoke a positive message; and expressed his views on how important Education was.

He came into my life during a time people had little or no faith in me. Mr. Hale believed in me, he encouraged me; he made me see life outside of my environment. Mr. Hale invited me to live with him and took over as my guardian. Your Honor he took care of me, he taught me discipline, and respect for myself and others. Mr. Hale helped me to excel in high school football, and found people to help me with subjects in which I found to be most difficult. Through Mr. Hale unconditional love, guidance, and friendship I finally started to believe that I could be something other than a thug.

Your Honor because of Mr. Hale I graduated from Career Academy; and I am currently a student at Kansas State University. I look forward to practicing with the football team this fall. Your Honor coming from the community in which I've come from there is a lack of hope, drive, and success stories; I am sure you see the dire result of that every day in your court room. Because of Mr. Hale's willingness to see me succeed I'm no longer a product of my environment, but someone who is working towards goals, and has developed the ambition to become a better person.

Your honor I would like to first thank you for taken your time out to read this letter and to conclude by stating Mr. Hale is not my biological father, but I have grown to love and respect him as my father. Your Honor I understand he has been convicted of a crime, but I ask that you take into consideration his work with the youth in the inner city community. He has helped countless numbers of teens like me, and if given a chance to correct his mistakes he will make this right with the courts and the community.

Sincerely,

Avion Kincade

To whom it my concern:

Often enough we find that life is about choices, one bad choice can change one's life forever and those directly involved with them. Your Honor I would like to petition the court on the behalf of Mr. Brice C Hale to serve as a witness of the defendant's character. I ask that you take into consideration Mr. Hale's humanitarian like efforts, His love for helping at risk teens, and his love for education and work.

Mr. Hale and I started feeding the homeless community in the downtown Saint Louis area July of 2009. Unlike most people who write checks or go to the established homeless shelters; Mr. Hale and myself hit the streets block by block to find the sometime cold and shut out. He has established relationships and bonds with several of the needy men and woman in the community; he will be truly missed and needed during his incarceration.

Mr. Hale is known in the community as big brother. Over the course of nine years I've known him to help countless numbers of at risk teens, teens with histories of anger and aggression. Some of the teens at the time of meeting Mr. Hale were on the brink of leading very destructive lives. The most recent and most successful story was Mr. Avion Kincade. Mr. Kincade being born in the middle of nine children, before meeting Mr. Hale had multiple run-ins with the law as a juvenile and was on the verge of dropping out of school. Mr. Hale having no children of his own invited Mr. Kincade to live with him, taking over as his guardian. Over the course of four years Mr. Kincade pulled up his grades, excelled in high school football, he is the first of his family to graduate from high school, and he is currently attending Kansas State University. Mr. Hale is currently working with a thirteen year old, who was failing the eighth grade but after help and guidance from Mr. Hale he will be attending high school next year. Mr. Hale will be missed by the teens who know him as big brother; the sooner Mr. Hale can get back out the sooner he can get to his good work.

Mr. Hale attended Lincoln University; he is currently working on his master degree. He has dedicated himself as a lifelong learner. I've known the defendant for over nine years. He has owned several businesses, he has always paid taxes, and he seeks to employ others. He currently owns a window tinting shop, where his goal is to employ convicted felons giving them opportunities to become productive members of society.

Your, Honor in closing I would like to thank you for taking your time out to read this letter. Although the defendant has been convicted of a crime, I ask that you please take into consideration his work and love for helping others. He's bad choice has directly impacted those around him but I can assure that Mr. Hale has self-reflected and if given the chance he will make this right, with the courts and the community. Once again I would like to thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Ms. Arkeather A. Spratt

July 10, 2011

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Robyn McCaleb, I am the fiancée of Brice C. Hale. Brice and I have been in a committed relationship for over 10+ years. I have four wonderful children and one grandson and he is the only person they know as their father and grandfather. They celebrate father's day on his behalf and never hesitate on what to cook, what to buy and are excited to make this a perfect day for him. He has worked hard to build a trusting and honest relationship with me and my children and has played a very important role in our lives. Brice has helped me raise my children to understand the importance of life and how boys grow into respectable men and how young ladies should be respected by men. He has watched them grow and see they are the true fruits of his labor and could not ask for anything better. It is very important for Brice to be here so that he can continue to following them on their journey through life. From day one he has always been committed to helping me provide the best quality of life for my children and has strived hard to make sure our needs were met.

Brice's life is a testimony of what a person can do when they are faced with the worst adversities in life. The losses he has suffered are by far traumatic and the loss of a mother, father, and brother has changed his life drastically. When you suffer a loss of this magnitude the recovery process is long, hard and emotionally draining. In order to rebuild his life and regain his faith, church and family has been his number support system. He has strived hard to do the right thing and has followed the American dream by graduating from high school, obtained a college degree, and has worked hard to become a productive citizen. I am proud of him, my children are proud of him and he has encouraged me to return back to school to

further my education. He has been the driving force in my life and my support system and I am proud to say with his help I will be graduating this year.

Brice attends church every Sunday and I truly believe church has helped keep him grounded and his faith strong. Brice is being tested and again is faced with adversity in his life and he will stay grounded with the faith of God, and weather yet another storm and land on his feet.

Regardless of what others perceptions are of Brice, I, my children and grandson are his biggest supporters and we love him with all our hearts and without him our family would not be as strong as we are today.

In closing, I am advocating for leniency on behalf of Brice C. Hale so that he can continue to be with his family and rebuild his life and not continue to be punished for his unfortunate circumstances of loss, separation and trying to make the best decisions as a young man without the guidance of a mother and/or father. If given the opportunity you will see Brice C. Hale is a man that has weathered many storms and has left a footprint in many lives and has help carry this family though the most trying times.

Robyn McCaleb
Fiancée

To Whom It May Concern

RE: Brice C. Hale

My name is Elnader A. Hale. I am the sister of Brice Hale. He is my baby brother but often times I listen to his advice and counsel as if he were the older one. My brother is an amazing man. I am very proud of him both as my brother and as a man.

My brother and I have the same father but we have always considered ourselves full brother and sister. He is a compassionate, kind, understanding, helpful, respectful, hard worker, self starter and role model. As a product of a single parent, (his mother raising he and his two brothers alone after our father passed when Brice was two) gave him a insight into parenting solo that most men do not take the time to understand and or do something about

My brother came up through the school of hard knocks that is to say he never had the best of anything as he was growing up, but he never complained or asked for more from his mother. He grew up without the benefit of a male role model. When others his age were becoming involved in gangs and other delinquent activity, he chose to become active in sports, (basketball). He initially could not play very well, but he spent countless hours simply bouncing the ball and throwing it until he became good at the game eventually becoming captain of his team. He played sports even though he had no ride to and from practice or to and from games, he "walked." He walked miles in the dark after playing games both away and at home because he wanted to make something of his life rather than be like his peers. He was not a quitter and his persistent paid off by his becoming the most valuable player on the team.

My brother went to college despite the fact that he had been discouraged by some not to. He graduated from Lincoln University and I could not have been prouder of him than if he were my son. He struggled through school with lack of funds for housing, food, clothing and books. He and God made it through those four years together.

I was helping my brother financially, emotionally and physically when he was in college. He wanted to help and felt bad taking help from me especially when I was having marital problems as well as a high risk pregnancy. He asked me about going into the armed services to which I was against, but he enlisted in the Marines so he could help with his finances. It was tough for him to attend school full time and be in the military but he did it. He received an honorable discharge from the military and took eventually took a civilian job.

After college, I invited my brother to come and live with me, but he opted to return to his mother's home even though his prospects of getting a job were dim. He returned home to his mother because his mother had been diagnosed with cancer and it was not known how long she would live. My brother put his life on hold. He alone took care of his mother from taking her to doctor's appointments, cooking, cleaning and making sure that she had taken her medications. When she became too ill to take care of herself, rather than going into hospice, my brother, alone, took care of his mother, he bathed her, he carried her to the bathroom, he took care of bills and did everything he could to make his mother last moments as best as he could. She passed while he was taking care of her. This loss affected him deeply. At this point in his life, I am sure he felt alone, but he knew he had me to rely on. He has consistently proven the naysayers wrong in being successful in all the endeavors he has attempted to do. I am proud of him.

My brother has taken his business degree and parlayed it into a myriad of jobs for other people within the community. He is looked up to by young men and women as well as his peers. He saw young men walking around without a job and hanging on the streets, so he created a law company and purchased lawn equipment and hired those young men to not only mow the lawns of property he then owned but also he found other lawns for them to mow. The ability of these youngsters to be able to work and earn money while learning how to be a young man was priceless.

My brother applied to Webster University in St Louis Missouri for their Business Master program and was accepted. He started his classes but chose to drop out when I needed surgery to one of my knees. He came to Kansas City Missouri to take care of me while I was healing. His care of my household chores, cooking, and laundry, taking care of my son and getting me back and forth to the doctor's appointment was priceless and so much appreciated. When I was well enough to ambulate on my own, he returned to his home.

My brother adopted a young man (I advised against it) who was destined to be in the streets or dead. He saw something in this young man, (Avian Kincaid) that I did not see or anyone. Avian was a youngster when my brother initially started to helping him out. He was in middle school that was a thirty minute car ride from his house and none of his family was concerned about him going to school. He lived with his mother and his mother allowed him to date older or adult women even having sexual relations in her house with her permission. My brother persuaded Avian that he was too young for that activity and began to point him in the

direction of activities suitable for a young man his age. Brice started to talk with Avian when he saw him playing football and noticed that he was good. He thought if he could get him hooked on football he could get him to become an active and productive student. My brother would get up early every school day morning and wake up Avian, then go to his house pick him up from home and take him to school. He would then pick him up after football practice and take him home. Many times Avian was hungry and Brice fed not only him but his entire family. Many times their utilities were turned off and my brother gave the mother money to get her utilities turned back on. When Avian needed shoes and clothes for school, my brother bought them. My brother was a leaning post and a guide for Avian and, but for, my brother Avian would not have entered high school. Avian graduated from High School with a GPA of 3.0. When my brother first became a big brother to Avian he was barely going to school and had straight "F's". No one believed in him and had told him he could not do it nor provided him the tools to make it, but my Brother. Avian was accepted to Kansas State University last year. He is the first of his family to graduate from high school and the first to attend college.

My brother has compassion for single mothers and the struggle that they have to conquer especially when they are young children in the home. He has been an active part in so many young men and women lives, not only emotional support but physically being there for them and letting them see what it means to be a man.

My brother is the apple of my son's eye. He has been such a help to me in rearing my son. My son just graduated from high school this year. He will be attending college. He has a great relationship with my brother and looks up to him.

I have had to have several surgeries and at each one including the emergency birth of my son, my brother has been at my bedside. He has taken off from work to come and take care of me when I had bilateral knee surgeries, when I had a hysterectomy and oral surgery. Although he has had his own life, he is selfless in that he willingly places his life on hold to come to my aid and rescue. I am scheduled to have bilateral total knee replacements and I once again need my brother to be by my side to help take care of me. He is the only family member that I have who *can and willingly will lift me to ensure that I shower, bathroom breaks and he takes care of my incisions as well.* While taking care of me he also took care of my son as well.

I now am disabled and unable to walk most of the time as both of my kneecaps have collapsed upon the joint causing terrible pain. I have to have four shots in my knees every three

months or when the pain becomes unbearable by Dr. Dugan in order to have some function of daily living. I need the surgery but will need my brother once again to assist me in the recovery process. What is amazing about my brother is that I never have to ask him to come and take care of me; he simply comes and does what I need to have done in order to get better.

My brother is a good man. He is a good and loyal friend. He is sensitive to the needs of his fellow man and woman. He is not only my brother but he is my best friend. We talk at least twice every day, but more often like five times. We not only play together, but we pray together. I depend heavily on him. He will give the shirt off of his back and then take the individual to the store and buy them a couple more to ensure they have clothing. He has made it his assignment to reach out a helping hand to anyone who is within his reach and he can help. It is not unusual to find Brice going out of his way to make sure that a neighbor gets a ride to work and back home from work. He is not afraid of getting his hands dirty or doing chores traditionally thought to be unmanly. If he can help he will do it or he will give it his best try at doing the job.

There is so much that I can say about my brother and his great attributes and talents. In spite of the times that I have not been fully supportive of him (i.e. becoming a mentor, big brother for at risk males, entering the military while attending college), his decisions that he has made were good ones that made him a better man and person who could and has reached back and helped those who are less fortunate than himself and who truly need help but no one has been there to help them. Brice is my "Knight in Shining Armor" and I know he has been a lifeline for so many other people a lot of whom I have met and heard their testimonies as to what a great person my brother has been to them.

He truly a good citizen and a great asset to his friends, family, and community. He is one of a kind and I appreciate and love him very much.

Respectfully,
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