

Dear Honorable Judge Fernando Gaiton,

I am pleading for the courts mercy in sentencing of my brother Delbert Roberson.

On behalf of Delbert Roberson.

My name is Angelia Roberson. I am Delbert's 1 and only sister. He is my 1 and only brother. It has been extremely hard for me and my family since Delbert was incarcerated. Delbert is the most important man in my live outside of my sons. He is my best friend.

Our mother, Mary Ann Williams gave birth 2 two children myself and Delbert. As a single mother, our mother struggled to raise us on welfare and borrowing from the neighborhood store. I can remember times where my mother struggled to feed us but she made it happen even if it was just a can of vegetables. But nothing could over power the love that she had for us and the love that we had for each other. We didn't have a lot of toys so we managed to find thing's to do that was fun for us and keep us busy. We didn't play a lot with other children as they were mean to us for being poor. We stayed close to each other. I can remember tying pillow cases around our necks and being super hero's. We would jump off the bed as if we could fly. We would also imagine that the ground was a big ocean full of sharks and if we fell in we would be eaten up. So we would jump around different pieces of furniture to keep from being eaten by sharks. We both loved the little army men and would play with them for hour's. There was never a moment that me and my brother was separated. Nothing really mattered to us as long as we had each other. We didn't get to go a lot of places like other kids. We ate McDonalds once a month when our mother got her welfare check. Sometimes we even had to share clothes. We had to catch public transportation or walk to wherever we had to go with our mother. In growing up, Delbert was picked on a lot for looking like Steve Erkle. He was skinny and wore glasses and was somewhat a geek. I would always come to my brothers defense and would be ready and willing to fight anyone who picked on him. He was bullied a lot. Delbert was a very smart boy. He would get in trouble a lot for taking apart electronics to see how they worked and try to put them back together. In our early teenage years our mother was able to complete schooling and get a job. So it was just Me, Delbert and my children. Delbert would always help me keep the house clean and try to help me cook dinner for us and my mother for when she got home. Delbert is a horrible cook. He can't even boil eggs. Literally. I remember him trying to boil eggs in the microwave and they exploded, causing the house to smell like sewer. Delbert loved Michael Jackson. We would sit and watch him do all of Michaels moves. My oldest son inherited that trait. He loves Michael Jackson and has all of his albums. Delbert was a dare devil as a child and was injured a lot. I would fake being hurt to make him feel better. With me being the oldest, I at times used that to my advantage. As much as Delbert hated it, he would play hop scotch a jump rope with me.

Once we got older, if I got a job somewhere, I always tried to get him on too. We worked a Sonic together. Later on, we did Collections together. I spent 3 years bartending in which it is very fast paced and can be crazy at times. He came to see me and check on me everyday.

Delbert has many talents. He is great in math. He is great with fixing things such as electronics. He can paint cars. He is a great manager. As he helped my children's father with his rap career by reaching out

and booking shows for publicity. He is a great motivator and mentor. No matter what the problem is I can always talk to my brother about it and he will give me advise and tell it like it is whether I like it or not. He has helped me be more responsible and loving to my children as I struggled with alcoholism. I no longer drink alcohol. He has helped me build a strong foundation for my children. He is a great father. Delbert has 3 children. 2 of his own and a step daughter. He named his daughter after me. A'ngelique. (Angle)in which my name is Angelia (Angie.) And her middle name is after my mother. He has been in their lives from day 1. He makes sure that they attend the best schools. He keeps them active in sports. Delbert is a family man. He does whatever he can to keep the small family that we have close. We enjoy holiday dinners together. We split the bill for outings with our mother for various occasions. Birthday, Mothers Day, ETC.

I am a single mother of 5 teenager boys in which my brother has played a huge role in helping me raise my boys. As I was very young (14) when I had my first son. I would have 6 boys but a huge tragedy happened where my 11 month old son was killed in a drive by shooting in 1993 when I was only 16 years old making my brother Delbert only 14. Delbert was my strength. He cried with me. He always tried to make me laugh. He would make me things out of old items that he could find around the home. He helped me with my other children as I had a child the day after my son was killed. It is very hard, almost impossible to teach a boy to be a man when you are not a man. Delbert has been that man for me. To help with things I have no clue about regarding my boys. I had issues with my oldest son and could not control him. Delbert took him in and made him a better person. He spent time with him. He took him to look for jobs and fill out job applications. He mentored him. His nephews love him and miss him dearly. I hear them talk about him all the time. I remember when Uncle Delbert did this and that. If Uncle Delbert was here you wouldn't be doing that. I have had a lot of challenges with raising them since he has been away because they are getting older. My oldest son (20) has 3 daughters in which he had his first child when he was 16. Delbert and his children's mother played a big role in helping him with his daughters. Picking the girls up so that he could spend time with them. Giving him chores and various things to do to earn money to provide for them. Delbert helped me with clothing for my children by passing his down and taking them shopping for school shoes when I wasn't able. Delbert is a very caring and loving person. He will give his shirt off his back to anyone who needed it.

Anytime I am down or going through something I always say, " I wish my brother was here". I need my brother. Delbert's family needs him and loves him. He is the backbone of our family and is what keeps it together. He is the best brother, son, uncle, father, friend that anyone could ask for. I am pouring my heart out to you to send my brother back to me. Back to his family where he belongs. It feels as if we have had another tragedy (death) in our family with him gone.

I will take full responsibility for him. I will allow and love for Delbert to live with me. I will help Delbert each day with job search. I will help Delbert get enrolled in school to better himself and allow him to get a job in a career of his choice and expand his education. I am a Supervisor in a Collections Company and have been for 6 ½ years. I will use any and all available resources to help Delbert with future goals and plans. My goal is to get him involved with the community and help teenage boys to be men. There are close friends and family that participate in and are a part of outreach programs that would love and be enjoyed to have Delbert as a part of their team. I will do everything in my power to support my brother

and keep him motivated to become the best man he can be. Not only for himself but for his children that love and miss him dearly. My nieces and nephew will never be the same until their father is home. They need him just as well as he needs them. We all need each other. Please take this into consideration.

Sincerely,

Angelia Roberson

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Any additional information needed will be provide immediately upon request.

Exhibit C

Dear, Honorable Fernando J. Gaitan Jr., Chief District Judge,

My name is Donald L Matthews. I am writing to you on behalf of Delbert Roberson. I first meet Delbert through my cousin, Denita Parker, which is his fiancé and he was always a goofy, joking and fun loving person. We became really close like family immediately, he has always gave me good advice with things going on in my life, rather it was work, my kids, females, etc. In 2009 there was a time when I wasn't working and was getting in a lot of trouble with the law and was really just wasting my life away. Delbert always use to tell me to take any job I could cause sitting doing nothing is not going to help and the streets is not for me. There have been many times when I had to call Delbert for many things and he has always been there to help no matter what I needed. If I was in trouble and about to get myself in more trouble he would come right away and diffuse the situation and make me get it together to make the right decision. If I needed somewhere to stay I knew that he and my cousin had a bed or a couch for me to stay on. He helped me control my anger a few times when some things weren't going cool and my way with helpful words and encouragement to stop acting like a little boy and step up and be a man. I have had the opportunity to see how he was with his kids and how he wanted the best for his family so they can grow up and be something better than him in their life. He was a good father and treated my oldest cousin, Destiny, like she was his child. He always kept them in different activities and made sure they was up on their school work. His children have always been his motivation in life.

I remember I talked to him about a year ago while he was in jail and one thing he said to me was to make sure I stay working and do the right thing so I don't end up where he is at. He said that no matter what goes on in my life to make sure to remember what he said because life in jail is like not living at all and just wasting away especially without being able to be there for his children. Everybody makes certain choices in life and Delbert never meant to hurt anyone but I think the two years' time he has been away he has learned from his mistakes and in his heart I feel he will do a good job when he gets out. I know in the "world" we have to abide by manmade laws and Gods laws and if not there are consequences. But keeping someone like Delbert locked up is not always the answer. I truly believe that everyone deserves a second chance at doing better and I feel if you gave Delbert another chance he will do better and do what is right by his family and the community. I know he has a lot of good people in his life willing and ready to help him when he gets out including me. I ask that you have mercy on him and trust that in your heart that if you would be lenient on his sentence, and allow him to be out to support his family like a real man is suppose to. Thank you for reading this and my God bless you sir.

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