together. In the summer after their freshman year of college, when the cancer recurred, he again visited her every day. They planned a trip to Minnesota together, which she was unable to take due fluid filling her lungs. Chris had no idea that this was a sign that the end was near and promised to spring her from the hospital as soon as he got home. Unfortunately she passed away right before Father's Day 1990 before he ever made it back. Chris spent Fathers Day with Lisa's dad Hersh so that he would not be alone. To this day, Chris remains in contact with Lisa's mother, who refers to him as "her son". We are now and always have been proud to share him both with Barb and with the world.

Our three sons and I made a habit of eating breakfast out each Saturday morning at the local grocery store. It provided a great time for conversation. Chris has carried on with this tradition, and he and his family often share breakfast together on the weekend. I was on the Ski Patrol at a local ski hill, and the boys accompanied me on my weekend trips to the hill. Chris and his daughters, Sarah (12) and Madeline (5), have spent many wonderful days skiing together and I am certain that Drake (age 18 months) will join him as they get older. Family time is so very important to everyone in our family, and no one treasures his family more than Chris. He has wonderful Daddy-Daughter dates with Sarah and Madeline. It is so very important that he be able to continue these activities with his family.

Chris enjoyed the practice of law, and it always gave him great satisfaction but that pales in comparison with his love of his family. It is for them that he has worked so hard to be a successful attorney and outstanding father. Chris is always eager to learn new things and pass this knowledge on to his children. He enjoys attending their many activities and they love having him in attendance. Chris has always shown so much kindness to family and friends. His grandmother was not able to travel to Las Vegas, so since 1997 when he moved to Las Vegas, he has made a point of returning home for Thanksgiving, Christmas and other times during the year. Deb is an incredible wife and mother, but she is only one person and cannot be expected to be able to fill the role of two loving, caring, engaged parents. Chris's immediate family, Deb, Sarah, Madeline and Drake need the physical, emotional and financial support which only Chris can provide. This entire process has caused huge amounts of damage to his young family. Chris needs to be able to continue to be with his family and to be an important part of their young lives. I am really saddened that his ability to be there as the head of his family and to financially provide for his family might be affected by this case.

Chris has spent literally thousands of hours doing pro bono work for clients. He has always believed that a client deserves excellent representation no matter his or her ability to pay. His mentor was (now-Judge) Elizabeth Gonzalez who started a policy that everyone in the firm had to have a pro bono case open at all times. When Chris formed his own firm, he instituted that same policy and was on a Committee formed by the Nevada Supreme Court to encourage other firms to adopt such a policy. I could recount his numerous pro bono awards, his being chairperson of the Lawyer Referral & Information Service which has given hundreds of thousands of dollars over the past few years or his A/V Rating from Martindale-Hubbell but I think those speak for themselves. Chris was a great lawyer who always has worked tirelessly on every committee and in every opportunity presented to him. I am really saddened that his ability to serve his community might be affected by this case.

I cannot hide the fact to this Court that this is not my first draft of this letter, which has been very difficult as a father and man who has known Chris for 43 years, to keep within the bounds of what this Court probably wants. I find it incomprehensible that Chris has been charged, let alone led to plead guilty. Never in his 43 years of life has he ever done anything dishonest or to hurt other people. Chris has spent his entire life focused on helping people. Those of us who know Chris can tell you story upon story about how Chris has helped people, never stories about the money that he has made. I have always watched Chris fight hard but never fight dirty. I am not certain what I can say and cannot say to share with you what this process has done to us as a family. Obviously this process has taken a toll not only on his immediate family but his mother and I. This process is killing me. I have had to seek counsel due to the stress of this situation and have sought counsel with a retired District Court Judge who goes to my church. Just as Chris is very protective and loving of his family, I hope the Court will understand the feelings of disbelief and protectiveness which I have towards my family and my son.

Chris is such a giving person-giving of his time and his expertise. I know that he will continue throughout his life to give of himself (and in fact know that he has continued to volunteer even during this process). I know of the people who love Chris and who he has helped. I am very fearful that these events will erase all of his good acts from the past and prevent such good acts in the future. Through my hurt and anger, Chris has remained a voice of reason and hope, reminding all of us in our family of the good that can and remains to be done. Chris always emphasizes and focuses on the constructive aspects of his life; he has always sought to build and help people up and not the negative parts of tearing people down. I hope this Court will understand the constructive good which Chris makes in the lives of so many and will be constructive in showing his leniency.

These qualities deserve leniency for the sake of his family, his associates, his former clients, and the many organizations of which he is such a vital part. They all need him. I need him. If the Court wants to make Chris continue his commitment to the community as part of resolution of this case, I would heartily support this Court because I know of his commitment to good works. It is for all the above-mentioned reasons that I, as father of R Christopher Reade, and grandfather to his children, am requesting that the Court exercise discretion and show him leniency in sentencing. Thank you for thoughtfully considering my letter.

**Very Truly Yours** 

Robert B. Reade

#### APRIL 3, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade for 40 years as he is my older brother. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

My adult relationship really started with Chris in college. I moved from our parent's home in Omaha to a house in Lincoln, Nebraska. Chris and I lived together for approximately three years, while I worked toward an undergraduate degree and he worked toward his law degree, both at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Chris was very diligent about his studies, as all law students are required to do. Through watching him, I learned how driven Chris is in his work. More importantly, I saw that Chris was a people person. Chris did not put down other people to elevate himself.

After receiving his law degree, Chris moved to Las Vegas for a six month offer of employment in a law office. It upset me when this position was extended, because I felt like I was losing a brother. I see now that this was a selfish attitude on my part. I should have given him more credit. Chris has developed strong personal relationships. The one that strikes me is Linda Lockhart. Several years ago, Chris introduced me to Shelby Lockhart (Linda's daughter), who he was dating. Though the dating relationship with Shelby did not work out, Chris' relationship with Linda has prospered. Linda has become like a second mother to Chris. Chris has been able to rent his former home to Linda at cost or below, while she has struggled with health issues. Linda has even worked in Chris' law office, after she had to give of her fishing camp.

It is with great admiration and love that I write about Chris' wife Deb. Chris has two daughters and one son. As Chris was building his law practice, he worked more hours than I thought humanly possible. Deb was able to love Chris through the hours he had to put in. Deb's mom, Jo, even worked in the office. Chris' children have grown up in the law office, as Chris and Deb have tried to prosper a small business. Chris and Deb worked hard to provide opportunities for the children. It is only because they worked so hard, that they can afford to come to Nebraska to visit our families. Chris has made more effort to travel back to Nebraska to maintain family ties, than my younger brother and I have made to travel to Las Vegas. Chris, like all the men in our family, is not good at showing emotion, but Chris shows his love through generosity.

Chris' generousness goes beyond family. It was not until the current criminal charges were filed, that I was reminded of Pro Bono award that Chris received. Chris and Deb have worked hard not only to provide opportunities for their family, but also to help others. This demands me to think that Chris, family, and friends; would have had more personal time, if he had not been helping those that could not afford the legal representation they needed.

I have talked at length about the hard work that Chris and Deb have put in. At the same time, I do not see them taking shortcuts to be prosperous. It is only through hard work that they have been able to get to where they are at. Chris and Deb would not intentionally be party to a business transaction that would destroy what they have built, personally and financially. Yet, it is viewed by the federal prosecutor, that Chris crossed a line. Chris has pled guilty to a charge, the details of which I am not totally informed.

I beg you to consider, that in due course of providing legal services Chris did not intentionally, nor with malice, cause harm to society. In your decision on sentencing, I further ask that you examine the benefit that Chris has been to his family, friends, and society. The allegations have destroyed Chris' legal career, but more importantly, have taken a large emotional toll on everyone who knows Chris.

. Sincerely Cory Reade

#### April 4, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

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#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of my brother-in-law, R. Christopher Reade. My name is Jessica Reade, and I am his sister-in-law, married to his youngest brother Chad. I live with my husband and three children in Omaha, Nebraska, where I currently serve as a stay-at-home mother. Prior to having children, I worked as a second grade teacher for Millard Public Schools here in Omaha. I am

aware that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Chris has done many kind, loving, and generous things for my husband, me, and our children. A powerful demonstration of his love and commitment to us was the way he responded when our daughter Avery passed away at six days old due to Trisomy 18, a chromosome abnormality. My husband spent all of his energy caring for me and our two older girls during our baby's diagnosis, life, and death. As I struggled with depression throughout the pregnancy and after our sweet baby's passing, Chris provided much needed support and a listening ear to my husband, helping shoulder the burden of my husband's grief. Chris and his wife Deb did things for us in the time following Avery's death to memorialize her in special ways, support us as a grieving family, and even make us laugh when we so desperately needed it.

I could list many more examples of ways that Chris has demonstrated love, high character, and generosity. But my plea for leniency on behalf of the court is because of his important role as a father.

Chris became a father to my nicce Sarah shortly before my husband and I became engaged, so I have been privileged to watch him parent from the beginning. While Chris and Sarah's mother were no longer together at the time of Sarah's birth, it was apparent from the start how much Chris loved Sarah and was deeply committed to co-parenting her. As the years have gone on and Chris and Sarah's mother have both married and had other children, I have been impressed and inspired by their continued commitment to parent Sarah together. They are providing her with a special family of parents and stepparents who communicate, support, and even love each other.

Sarah will be turning thirteen years old in October. She is in the midst of adolescence, undoubtedly a difficult and confusing time of life as she navigates her transition from a child to a young adult.

I am a mother to three girls. I can provide my daughters with information, a listening ear, and loving guidance. But I can never provide them with the unique love and protection they receive from their daddy. I believe a father is a girl's primary example of how a woman should be viewed and treated. The Honorable Kent Dawson March 31, 2014 Page 2

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He is the one to strengthen her identity as a young woman. And he is the one to protect her from making decisions she is not yet mature enough to make.

Sarah has amazing support, but I feel she needs her father during this critical time of life. Without Chris' love and protection, I'm concerned she will be subject to influence from young men who don't love her or have her best interest at heart. Without his praise and adoration, I worry she will struggle with self-worth during those awkward phases. Without Chris, a vital part of her identity will be absent, and I'm afraid she will be vulnerable to filling that void in an unhealthy way.

Chris' other children, Madeline and Drake, also depend on their father's presence. At their young, tender ages, they know only a loving, stable home environment. I fear they will experience trauma if this secure environment is taken from them.

It is on this basis for which I humbly ask for mercy in your decision making. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter,

Most sincerel Ucerica Reade

March 17, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade for 10 years and been his sister-in-law for 9 years. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Chris works very hard and is a good father and uncle. He enjoys spending time with our family and always comes home for major holidays. This year he dressed up as Santa for the kids and he has always been excited to give them lots of presents. Our kids really like animals too, so he has given the whole family passes to the zoo for years. He has worked very hard to co-parent his oldest daughter Sarah well, and shown grace in working out schedules and holidays with her mother. In the last few years he and Deb have built a good family life together and often help others in our family and in their community. I wish we lived closer so we could see them more often, and Christmas was hard this year worrying that he may not be able to be with us next year. Not to mention what a hardship his absence would place on Deb and the kids. We have been praying for them a lot this year.

I have seen nothing in the years I have known Chris that would lead me to believe he would cheat anyone or hurt anyone purposefully. He is a man of good character and I hope you will consider this strongly when determining his sentence.

Sincerely, Angele Cleark

Angela R. Reade

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#### March 4, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade for 7 years. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

My name is Michael Miller I live in Reno NV with my wife and daughter and own a local HVAC company. Chris Reade is my brother in law and Debra Reade is my sister in the time that I have known Chris he personally has helped me get our business off the ground by helping us get the L.L.C or our business. Since then I have known him to be a great father who spends his free time with his wife and children. I have seen him struggle with the birth of his last child Drake who had his fair share of medical problems since pre mature birth, spending weeks in the NICU at the hospital and subsequent medical appointments all while still working and being a father to his other children and still supporting my sister thru her own problems that came with her son's medical troubles.

Being that we live far enough away that we don't see them as often as we would like I have to say that Chris is the cornerstone of the family and makes my sister happy and if I didn't know anything else about him that would be good enough for me. In closing I hope that you can show Chris some leniency because good people sometimes make a mistake. Thank you for your time

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#### April 12, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Standish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris for over nine years. For six of those years, I was the receptionist in his law firm. During that time I have seen him work with the utmost integrity and respect towards his clients. He would work as hard for his many pro bono clients and as would for those paying for his services. Many times he would advise clients and not charge for his services. If a client would come to the office, and Chris felt that he could not help them, but another attorney might, he would refer that person to that attorney. I have also seen him be fair and impartial when he was an Arbitrator and as a Foreclosure Mediator. I feel that Chris is an outstanding attorney, and if I was in the need of an attorney, I would not hesitate to seek his advice. I also feel that the legal profession is at a greater loss because he is not able to practice the profession that he loves so much.

For the past year, I have been the caregiver for his two younger children Madeline and Drake. I see how excited they are when the garage door opens and he comes through the door. Drake because he is just beginning to talk and dada is one word that he can say that is as clear as a bell as he walks through the house trying to find his dad. Madeline because she wants to show him what she has done in pre-school and the things she has done during the day. I feel his children and Chris will lose so much of these "special" times if Chis is to be sent away. For that and many other reasons, I am asking the Court to consider leniency when it comes to his sentencing.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I feel the Court will come to a fair and just conclusion in this matter.

Sincerely;

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April 8, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. Chris is my brother in law and a trusted legal advisor whom I have known for years. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Five years ago, when my husband and I decided to open our own business, Chris helped us with all of the paperwork and legal requirements necessary to become an LLC. He was very diligent in his efforts to make sure we followed all local and Federal laws. His guidance was a major component of our early success.

I originally met Chris right before he married Debbie Reade. During the last seven years, most of my interactions with Chris have included Debbie and their children. He is a great father to his three children and an amazing husband. I know Debbie and the kids count on him for financial and emotional support on a daily basis. Although the hardship of his absence will be felt by Debbie, I feel most of the burden will be bared by his children. They are all at very formative ages and the absence of their father in their lives may affect them greatly. I ask that you consider Chris's family and their needs when sentencing him and show him leniency.

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March 10, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 South Fourth Street Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

My name is Kimberly Blomberg. I share parental custody of my 12-year-old daughter Sarah Elizabeth Powell Reade with Chris and his lovely wife Debra. I am well aware of the offense for which Chris is to be sentenced. Our whole family is devastated by this because Chris is such an important and integral part of our daily lives, and I am writing this letter to the Court to beg for leniency in his sentencing and to ask for his sentencing to consider keeping him close to home and to his family, and especially to our daughter Sarah, who relies so heavily on Chris for guidance in every aspect of her preteen life.

Sarah is incredibly intelligent, just like her father. She has been a straight-A student her entire life, but she is really struggling with the transition of being in middle school, and his love, support, and guidance help her get through her day. She is a daddy's girl in every sense of the word, and she has been destroyed by the idea of not

having her daddy close to her, and every aspect of her life has been affected by this.

Chris and I have successfully and for the most part smoothly successfully shared in 50/50 joint custody of Sarah for the majority of her life with our current spouses. The four of us -- Chris and Deb, and Lars and I -- are what I would consider a tight-knit team. Although Chris and I are both happily married to other people and have expanded our own families, I believe that we are all one blended family. Besides my own husband Lars, Chris is my best friend. He is a great man, a great friend, and a wonderful father to all his children. He has acted as a sounding board for me on more occasions than I can count, and I would be so lost without him.

Chris goes above and beyond to help anyone and everyone in need. I know he received the pro bono award of the decade in the legal community, which was not surprising in the least when considering his character. I am and have been a court reporter for many years, and I met Chris in the legal field in the year 2000. When I first met him, I was so impressed by his role in the legal community and in the community in general. He helps absolutely everyone. Every single attorney that we know together has nothing but the nicest things to say about him. If you were to ask him a favor, he would bend over backwards to accommodate. Even further, if he thinks someone needs help, he will unilaterally offer whatever help he can to them. He has worked many late nights at work just to make sure his obligations and responsibilities to his clients were met. He has helped my family and my children and I out of numerous legal situations

for no reason other than to be as helpful as he can.

I love that he is very active in animal rescue. He is always looking at dogs, and even visiting animal rescue shelters just to say hello to them. Then he goes and tells all his friends about the animals that they might want to consider adopting. All three of his dogs are large breed rescue dogs that he loves with all his heart. He has helped our family look for rescue dogs as well. Recently our beloved boxer passed away, and he came to the hospital to say his good-byes to her and to be supportive, and he was crying as hard as we were.

Please take my letter and the value that Chris has in my life, as well as my family's, into consideration when sentencing him.

Thank you so very much,

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**Kimberly Blomberg** 

## March 1, 2014

#### To The Honorable Kent J. Dawson:

I am Alice A. Olson, age 81, paternal aunt of Robert Christopher Reade. I was a teacher; military wife, Social Services and Activities Director in a nursing home and now a long time Hospice Volunteer for VNA in Omaha. Chris's father and I are products of an English family upbringing and values. We were brought up with important basic values of responsibilities of : Honor, Trust, Truthfulness, Giving and Sharing of one's self. Keeping an open mind, Making amends when we slip and fail. We seek education to become able to care for our futures and family. These are all things that we pass on to our families.

I am aware of Chris's reasons for following advice of his counsel in pleading the case. He is aware of problems that involve the well-being of his family and many friends. He is a very caring individual.

Chris was born and raised with a close relationship to these old fashioned values of his parents and grandparents. Robert Herbert Reade, (grandfather) spent a life of struggling to maintain his English background, earn a living and getting a university education. In maturity, he raised a family and became the director of the Orhaha area State Rohabilitation Office finding education and jobs for disabled persons. Our mother (his grandmother), was a Speech teacher who gained certification in teaching speech and " hearing programs in schools to help the disabled. Chris was made very aware of helping those who needed help.

I remember Chris's intelligent mind focusing on the law, as he grew, and the importance of justice, wanting to sturdy law.

Chris has grown with compassion for those friends who have suffered illnesses, died, or needed help as he grow. He has continued this in his adult life, offering his help and compassion, where it is needed. He continues to be aware of the needs of others, close to him. Chris loves the welfare and companionship of his dogs, most of his life. He has a loving wife and young growing family to pass on the values of his grandparents. They are his main focus and the welfare of those who truly know him. He always is concerned for my welfare and his cousins, when he visits in the area.

Thank you for considering the information I have written as I my penmanship has deteriorated in the last year or two. At my age, spelling becomes strange for a teacher's daughter.

I would ask you to consider lenlency in behalf of R. Christopher Reade. Chris has always considered the well-being of all who know him.

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February 20, 2013

The Honorable Kent Dawson % Wright, Standish & Winkler 300 So. Fourth Street Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Dear Honorable Dawson:

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. Mr. Reade has been an important part of my life since 1998. He has been an integral part of my daughters lives as well. He and his father and brothers have been to my fishing lodge in Canada on numerous occasions. His family was extremely thoughtful and very helpful to me after the death of my husband. Following the death of my husband, Chris stepped in and helped me with the estate and became a close friend in the process.

I have been aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.SC. &3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to show Chris leniency in sentencing. He has done so many "Pro Bono" cases and has numerous placques to honor him for his outstanding contributions to the program. He never is able to say "no" when his help is needed.

Besides being a great friend, Chris has been like a son to me. Back in 2003 I was in a serious car accident. My daughter called Chris and Chris actually left work and got to the hospital before she did. When I was leaving the hospital, the very first person I saw was Chris. He opened his arms to me and held me until I was calm and felt safe again. He has always treated me with love and respect. When I first moved to Las Vegas, Chris always took the time to include myself and my daughters in holidays, etc. He never let us be alone on these occasions. He still includes me now.

I have had some very difficult health issues in the past few years and Chris and his family have been an unbelievable support system. I rely on them for my general well being and health. His family has been there for me when my own family was not able to help. He has a wonderful wife and three beautiful children who need their husband and father. He shows great patience and is a very loving father. He takes the time to explain things to his children so that they can understand what is happening.

I hope that you will offer leniency to Chris. He is an outstanding young man and offers much to his family, friends and community.

Very truly yours,

151 Mrs. Linda Lockhart

### February 24, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris on a personal basis since 2005. I am married to Kimberly Blomberg, the mother of Chris' first child Sarah, and as such have been involved in the joint custody of Sarah for the past 9 years. During this time, Chris has always shown the uttmost love and devotion to his family. He is very involved with Sarah's education, and wants to provide her with all opportunity. He carries that same love to both of his other children. He has always shown great integrity with all business dealings which I have been involved. We recently went through a very trying period while attempting to purchase a new home. The seller was trying to back out of the contract at the last minute, and we would have lost the deal if Chris had not dropped everything and come to help us. Over the years he has assisted us in several other legal matters, as well as property investments, and has always operated with highest principles. I would trust Chris with the care of my own children. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing. Thank you for your consideration.

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Lars Blomberg, M.D.

#### March 29, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

Dear Honorable Dawson,

I am writing this letter in support of R. Christopher Reade. My name is Mary Ellen DiGregorio, I live in Norristown Pennsylvania. I am 55 years old relative of Debra Miller Reade. I lived behind Mrs. Debra Reade all my young life. Our family was close even after Mrs. Reade Family relocated to Las Vegas. I was married in Vegas in 1995 with Mrs. Reade Family in attendance and have maintained our relationship throughout the growing times thanks to the Internet.

Chris, as I may address him to you please, is married to my Cousin Debra and has always been a welcome member to our Family from day one of meeting Debra, even here on the East Coast, where a majority of her family still is. I am fully away of Chris's plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering.

I am also aware there are penalties associated with such a crime and one must pay when any crime has been committed but I am hoping and praying that you, your Honor, find leniency in Chris's Case...

My hope is that Chris not be sent away from his Family. Chris is a Giving and dedicated Father with a very deep faith in God. He has many more qualities and assets to offer the outside world then to be place for a long period of time away from his wife and kids. One can only assume the level of guilt and punishment be has already placed upon himself for the utter failure he has placed on his family. But, it is HIS FAMILY I am greatly imploring your kindness for. According to many case studies there are a variety of longterm effects of parental incarceration on children have been identified, the long-term impact caries with a variety of factors, including the developmental level of the child. In my Eyes it will be his family that pays for his Crime emotionally and mentally which will create an everlasting long term effect having these children grow up without the two parents bonding that these children only know. Both Debra and Chris have little family close by to help defer any effect the children may endure except one, which is Debra' mother Joanne Miller. My Thoughts and Prayers will always be for the Children.....

Thank you your Honor for allowing me the time to express myself on Chris's behalf.

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Mary Ellen DiGregorio 564 B. Main Street Norristown, Pa 19401 610-322-4137 March 13, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 South Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: <u>R. Christopher Reade</u>

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade through out his lifetime through our family. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former Client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and I am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

My name is Russel K. Free. I grew up knowing Chris's grandparents and his father Bob. I always looked forward to seeing the Reade family. Chris's grandparents were dedicated to family, church and community.

I am in Chris's corner. Chris is part of my "tribe". I gained an early understanding of how lucky I was to have a family concerned about who I was and what I was doing – for my betterment. I understood how important core values were when I realized peers outside of my family struggled because they did not have the same kind of a family background. I was fortunate to have the Reade's as one of my family value compasses.

Before Chris entered college, I was always appreciative of the emphasis scouting had in his family. I was always respectful of how important this program was to the Reade family and how they were able to take scouting to high levels of achievement and activity.

In the course of Chris's college and law school career, Chris excelled. His level of success in his studies was heads and shoulders above others in his class. Having had the opportunity to complete graduate studies, I am very mindful of the sacrifice and discipline required to earn a degree at the graduate level – especially in law.

Chris has had great success and recognition in his profession early in his career. Again, I believe Chris's focus on his clients and his craft resulted in a high level of achievement, but more importantly benefited his profession and especially, his clients. I am very appreciative that Chris has made significant community service contributions through his extensive pro bono work.

Because of Chris's strong family background, being a hard worker and for the care and achievements he has had in his law profession, I would ask that the "who" and "what" Chris is about be a strong consideration in the course of the plea Chris has entered.

Respectfully, Kunsekka

Russel K. Free 3340 J Street Lincoln, Nebraska 68510

Kay Klingman 36497 Burr Oak Blvd. Cohasset, MN 55721 March 6, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

RE: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing in support of R. Christopher Reade. My cousin is Chris's mother and I have known Chris since he was born. We live in Minnesota and Chris was raised in Nebraska so we were together at family gatherings as well as our two families getting together over the years.

I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. This letter is a request to the Court for discretion and leniency in sentencing.

My father practiced law in South Dakota for 50 years. He totally supported Chris's decision to study law and believed that he would be an excellent attorney with a brilliant mind.

In my opinion, incarcerating Chris only serves to cost taxpayers money. Chris will learn from his mistakes. As the awards he has earned for probono work show, he can productively repay society by continuing that work. I ask that you strongly consider a lenient, creative sentence that does not involve incarceration.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

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Dana Scopatz 2341 75<sup>th</sup> St. E. Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076

March 13, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing this letter in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris my whole life, which is most of his, although only sporadically. Our grandfathers were brothers and we meet at weddings, funerals, and other family events. One thing I know very well about Chris is his sense of duty and responsibility to family. Even as a teenager, if he was resentful about attending extended family events it never showed and I never saw him be anything but respectful and courteous to grandparents, stepgrandparents, great-uncles, etc. He was even hospitable to slightly younger second cousins.

I am aware that Chris has entered a plea of guilty to accessory after the fact to a former client who was found guilty of money laundering. I am sure that whatever lines Chris may have crossed he was led to them, at least in part, by a sense of loyalty and responsibility to his client. That sense of responsibility that may lead one into error when directed toward a criminal client is properly applied, and a building block of society, when directed by a father toward his children. I hope that you will find a way to show leniency in sentencing so that Chris may continue to exercise his duty to his family and teach his children loyalty and responsibility, tempered by the wisdom he has gained from his mistakes.

Sincerely,

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**Rev. Dana Scopatz** 

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#### March 10, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 South Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

Hi. My name is Deni Powell. I am the maternal grandmother of Chris's 12-year old daughter Sarah Elizabeth Powell Reade. My daughter Kimberly and my grandaughter Sarah, who Chris and Kim share custody of, have told me what happened to Chris, and that he has entered a plea to Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and I wanted to write this letter to the Court and ask for leniency in sentencing for him because we are all devastated.

I have known Chris for 13 years. We were at the hospital together when Sarah was born. My daughter Kim was having difficulty with her childbirth and almost died. So Chris and I went down to the chapel together. We prayed for both of them to be okay because both of their lives were in danger. So I saw the depth of him. He is a very strong believer in God, and so am I. So we talked a lot about God and him protecting everybody.

Chris and my daughter Kim have shared custody for pretty much her whole life. Even if Kim and Chris didn't make it as a couple, they always worked on cooperating and both sharing in responsibility and love for Sarah. I have a lot of respect for Chris. He has always been there for me whenever I personally needed anything. He has always been there for other people too. I have always known when there is a special event, Chris will go out of his way to let Sarah spend time with Kim, even if it's during his custody time to keep Sarah's best interest in mind. So he has always been flexible with Kim. He has been married to Deb for quite a while and he has two children other than Sarah, Drake and Madeline, and they love him with all their hearts.

Chris cares so much about Sarah's well-being that he and Kim decided it would be great to keep their residences within walking distance for Sarah to go back and forth between the two families. Chris is very good with Sarah's and her schooling. He attends her school functions as often as he can. He is always on top of her grades. Every single day. I believe that's one reason she is an "A" student. He is a spiritual man who goes to church, whose family is the most important thing in the world to him. He makes every effort to go visit his family in Nebraska and take Sarah and the rest of his family with him. When Sarah needed a haircut, he helped her make the decision to donated her hair to Locks of Love. And as far as his humor, he can always make me laugh, and I am so grateful for that. He lights up the room with his smile. Please consider a light punishment that involves him staying close to his family, as he is an asset to all of us. We are all so devastated by the idea that he will be taken away from us and we won't be able to see him.

Thank you,

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Deni Powell

March 10, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson

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c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler

300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701

Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade, whom I have known for 14 years through my mother, Kimberly Blomberg, the mother of his first born daughter, Sarah.

I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. subsection 3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and I am writing this letter and requesting this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris lenlency toward his sentencing. I would like to take the time to give some information about who he is, and I hope this will assist in your decision of action.

I first met Chris in 2000 when he had a relationship with my mother, Kimberly, and he was very open hearted to meeting me. We always got along quite well. He would perpetually make efforts to become aquainted with me by learning about my personal interests, which eventually built into a friendship.

The time we spent together has forever laid everlasting memories. One of my fondest memories of getting to know him was during my childhood, which included the attendance of a Las Vegas 51's baseball game. Together, we enjoyed watching the game while conversing and enjoying the classic stadium foods, such as: nachos, hot dogs, and sodas. On the way home, we listened to A.M. radio as he taught me about sports and worldly matters.

I remember joining him with my mother on a trip to Nebraska. We went out there to spend Christmas with his family. Everything about the trip was very traditional. Everyone would gather around the tree, and open presents. Chris, along with his family, would say grace before each of their home-cooked meals, telling stories, and speaking about everything for which they were grateful.

I also recall when one of my brothers from my father's side of the family was getting himself into trouble during his teenage years. Chris counseled him to help turn my brother's life around, even though the two of them had never previously met.

After he had separated from my mother, he sent me a letter. The contents of it were incredibly heartwarming. To summarize the letter, he said that even though he is no longer together with my mother, he will always be there for me whenever I need him, whether it was for being a figure for advice, a friend, or just to spend time together. I will never forget that letter, and i still hold that memory fondly.

Chris has two daughters and one son: Sarah, who 12 years old, Madeline who is 5, and Drake, who is a year and a half. He loves both his little girls and his little boy with all his heart and soul. He had Sarah with my mother. She almost died giving birth due to the nurses shoving down on her belly. Chris was a witness in helping her through that. He was a witness to the nurse saying to him, "We're not supposed to do that." He backed her up 100%. He guided her and was incredibly protective, helpful, and supportive to our whole family during that turmoil for many years during the struggles, and was a great person to lean on. My mother splits custody with Chris and Deb 50/50, and when Sarah is with us, she always talks about how much she loves her daddy.

He has always made an effort to make sure that his children are well educated, respectful, and to always be honest. He spent many hours working to provide them with a good life and to be able to take them on nice vacations. The amount of love he has for them is immeasurable, and they all feel the same way about their father.

Overall, Chris is a hard-working family man and an excellent father. The amount of love he has for his family is immeasurable, and he is always willing to do everything he can to make the people around him happy. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

Jesse Powell

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Carol Suzuki P.O. Box 2200 Oregon City, OR 97045

March 3, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Margaret Stanish Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

RE: R. Christopher Reade

The Honorable Kent Dawson:

I am writing in support of R. Christopher Reade. Chris's grandfather was my mother's oldest brother. I am in contact with Chris at family gatherings and through my relationship with his mother, Carolyn Reade, my cousin. Although Carolyn and I are close in age, Chris is 14 years older than my oldest child.

I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

I have difficulty matching the Chris I know with these crimes. Being raised in the retail grocery business I have been exposed to many personalities and behaviors – some require help from law enforcement. I believe Chris can learn from his mistakes without incarceration.

I believe Chris has the potential to repay society for his behavior without being incarcerated. It is difficult to manage the extra-ordinary intelligence Chris possesses. He has focused his abilities to serve others as indicated by the pro-bono service awards he has received. I ask the Court to consider creative sentencing that harnesses Chris's potential to be a productive, repentant member of society without incarceration.

Your consideration of this letter is appreciated.

Respectfully,

Carol Suzuki

March 10, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing this letter in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris for more than a year now both professionally and socially. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory after the fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I am writing this letter to ask this Court to please exercise discretion, and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

I have owned a Medical Supply Business in town for nearly 20 years and became quick friends with Chris and his wife Debra because of our similar work ethic and family life. Self employment calls for long hours and a tremendous personal investment of both time and capital. Chris and I quickly bonded as both of us intimately understood how to manage work, family, and marriage, all while maintaining somewhat of a personal life. It soon became apparent that Chris was a truly dedicated attorney who worked tirelessly for both his clients and his firm.

Chris and his family quickly became very close with my wife and our family. His three children are nearly the same age as my three kids with many of the same interests. Chris truly enjoys his family time giving his children all the time and attention they deserve. Our families have travelled together on numerous occasions and we have witnessed Chris as a truly involved father, whether it is riding the amusement park rides or teaching his kids how to ski. His kids cherish the memories he is forming with them, and I am honored to have my children associate with a man of such character.

Chris has given much of his time and effort to others not so fortunate in the community as well. There are many stories and accolades of his Pro Bono work and countless hours of working with law students and new graduates. As a friend, I know the awards and recognition were truly secondary to the personally fulfilling work he knew he could do as a lawyer who sincerely loves the law.

One story that resonates with me is one simple family night dinner together. Chaos abounds as usual with six kids in a restaurant, but Chris was keen enough to notice a young lady sitting alone in a booth for a long period of time nervously looking around. She was very well made up for the establishment we were in and had obviously been stood up on a date. Chris took it upon himself to anonymously pay for her dinner, which further put her head on a swivel. It demonstrates the true heart of a man who not only thinks of others in his daily life, but selflessly demonstrates his charity daily with his actions.

Chris Reade is truly invested in his family and community. His dedication to his work, community, and the welfare of others makes me honored to be his friend. I ask you to find it in your heart to show leniency for Chris, a good and decent man, a father of three, and a devoted and loyal husband. I do not want to have to miss my friend, nor do I want to imagine a divided home for Debra, Sarah, Madeline and Drake. Thank you Your Honor, for taking my letter into account and considering Chris's character in your decision.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey Kelemen

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#### March 14, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson C/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S Fourth Street Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada, 89101

#### **RE: R.Christopher Reade**

#### Your Honor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the upcoming sentencing in the case against R. Christopher Reade. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Sec.3 which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and I am asking this Court to exercise discretion to show Chris leniency in sentencing. My name is Amy Horner, I am a medical professional who has practiced for nearly twenty years as a Physician Assistant. I have had the privilege of being close friends with Chris for over 30 years. We attended junior high, high school and college together. Since we met at age 12, Chris has been a stable force in my life and the lives of our close group of friends.

In speaking of Chris's character, several thoughts come to mind. He is one of the most honorable and caring individuals I have ever known. One of our best friends battled cancer during our school years, and Chris was always there to support her and help her and her parents out. He holds himself and those he surrounds himself with to a high moral standard. He is an individual that is very easy to look up to, because of all of the good he does for others without being boastful about those accomplishments.

Chris has shown time and time again throughout the many years that we have known each other that he is an individual that can be depended upon. We attended our graduate schools at the same time, and Chris was a great source of encouragement for me. He will be honest about his opinion of a situation using tact and discretion. He approaches problems head on with logic and humor. Chris is a devoted husband and father of three, and puts their well-being above his own. He has dedicated his life to the Las Vegas law community through the work at his firm and charitable contribution of his time to legal aid.

I am asking you, Your Honor, to show leniency in your sentence for Chris. He is a remarkable man who should be allowed to return to the two things in life he loves the most, his family and practicing law, as quickly as possible.

Very Truly Yours, Juneo

Amy L. Horner

April 7, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing this letter in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris and his family for almost a year. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory after the fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I am writing this letter to beseech this Court to please exercise discretion, and show Chris lenlency in sentencing.

I am an emergency department physician, as well as owner of a private practice. I have become quite fond of The Reades due to of the similarities of our work and family life. Because I am business owner, I understand the commitment and stringent work ethic both Chris and Debra exercise all while raising three small children. I respect the fact that as consuming as operating your own law firm, or whatever business for that matter, that both Chris and Debra are dedicated parents to their children.

Chris and Debra's three children have similar interests as my three kids. I have attended various sporting functions and out of town events with the Reade family. Sarah, 12, and Madeline, 5, are very well mannered, eloquent young ladles. Drake, 18 months, is a bundle of energy and playfulness. These children are all about their daddy when he is around. He gives all his attention to these kids when they are together. It really is a fun dynamic to witness. Whether it's going on amusement park rides or skiing with the older girls, or chasing after the new walker, Drake, these kids absolutely adore their father.

He also sets a great example for his kids as he has given time to others not so fortunate. Whether it's continually taking on pro bono cases, to adopting or finding homes for unwanted pets, Chris is a valuable asset to our community. Aside from pro bono work, he also volunteers to work with law students and new law school graduates. He does this not for the accolades, but it's who he is. Chris Reade is a selfless, charitable man who demonstrates these characteristics in his daily life.

Chris Reade is truly a devoted family man and invaluable member of society. I am honored to know this man who dedicates so much to his love of the law, welfare of others in the community, and who is a doting father to his three beautiful children. For everything good this man has done in society and in his personal life, I ask you, Your Honor, to find it in your heart to show leniency for Chris. I can't imagine his three small children living these impressionable years without their father, their hero present to witness these irreplaceable years. A man who is altruistic and adores his family so much so that he has sacrificed himself to shield his family from a grueling, lengthy legal battle. It is unjust for these children and his wife to be separated from the man who truly is a noble, decent man. This family, or any family for that matter, does not deserve to be divided; Most definitely not The Reade Family. I can't and do not want to imagine Sarah, Madeline, and Drake, to live life without their father and Debra without her husband. Thank you Your Honor, for taking my letter into consideration and considering Chris's character and his family in your decision. He truly is a remarkable man in every aspect.

Respectfully, Dr. Dana Trippi

### April 11, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

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#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. My wife, Cristeena, and I have known R. Christopher Reade for 4 years, initially meeting at a social engagement that burgeoned into a valued friendship. We have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and are writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Cristeena and I have come to know Mr. Reade and his family very well over the past 4 years and garner the utmost respect for him in his role as husband and father. My wife and I are very family oriented, and as such we carefully choose our friends, in part, through our observation of their interactions with one another, their children and extended family. Chris and his wife Debra have placed the interests of their children ahead of their own from the moment we met. Chris, in particular, has fostered an incredible co-parenting relationship with the mother of his oldest child, Sarah, while he and his wife Debra have had children of their own. Given the potential for a tumultuous and bitter relationship between exes that is seen so much in our society today, the fact that Mr. Reade places the well-being of his oldest child and her family relationships above all else is a testament to his character and selfless nature. Additionally, Chris' relationship with his wife, Debra, can best be described as one of a doting husband who truly places his spouse on a pedestal. As we have spent many occasions together in a social setting, we have had the opportunity to observe their interactions numerous times. The subtle things like opening a door or bringing the car around when it is raining out are demonstrative of the respect and admiration Chris maintains for Deb. These are behaviors that are subconscious and speak to a person's character, not forced for the purpose of presenting a facade. The consistency of such actions over the past 4 years speaks once again to the character of Mr. Reade and the value he places on his family.

While most of our interactions with R. Christopher Reade have been socially and within the confines of our friendship, we have been witness to Mr. Reade's selfless acts of charity in the community as well. We have known Chris to represent unnamed victims of domestic violence in a *pro bono* capacity. His work in a *pro bono* capacity; however, extends well beyond the scope of domestic violence victims to include those who have been subject to unfair real estate practices in addition to other civil matters. Mr. Reade is an individual who's countless and ongoing selfless actions define a man of integrity with a desire to help those in need.

In closing, we would simply ask this Court to consider our previous statements and this one final thought: Children need their father. In an age where positive family relationships are increasingly scarce and youth are defined more by media influence than that of their parents, a father like Mr. Reade and the family environment that he, his wife Debra and his former spouse have developed are truly hard to come by. Chris is pivotal in that dynamic. His role and positive influence in the growth and development of his children are immeasurable. Time away from their father would have a detrimental impact that would negatively shape the character of each one of them for the rest of their lives.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Very truly yours,

Robert D. Benefiel Cristeena A. Benefiel

#### March 8, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade for nearly 9 years through his wife Debra. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Deb and I have been friends for over 20 years. We met in Pennsylvania in high school and stayed close even after we went on to different colleges, through moves that placed us thousands of miles apart, through personal and family struggles, through meeting our spouses, getting married, and the births of our children. Even with our ever-expanding families, careers, and responsibilities, we remain close friends. I first heard of Chris when they began dating in 2005 and first met him in 2007. I met Chris under difficult circumstances as Deb's dad had passed away and they came out east for his final arrangements. I knew right then that he was a man of character and compassion. Deb's dad wasn't always the easiest man to see eye to eye with but Chris spoke of him with such respect and true kindness. He showed this innate ability to bring out the best in even the most challenging situation. Sometimes it is hard to meet someone that you have heard so many stories about as you feel they could not possibly live up to the expectation. With Chris, it was the opposite, he was just what Deb had described and even more. He was accomplished but humble and had this charisma and passion for life and humor. His whole face lit up when he spoke of his daughter Sarah and I was amazed by the relationship he had maintained with her mother despite sharing custody. Many people in that situation would speak ill of their ex; however, Chris spoke kindly of her and how they worked together in caring for Sarah.

My next encounter with Chris was when my husband and I went to Las Vegas to attend their wedding. I was the maid of honor so I spent a great deal of time with Deb and Chris' families. When I met Chris' parents and brothers, I could see where his character had formed. The stress of a wedding coming together can bring out the worst in all of us, however while I could tell Chris was overwhelmed at times, he took on his role as host, problem-solver, and even mediator without complaint. This is also the first time I saw Chris in his dad role. He was so great with Sarah. He would crouch down to her level to talk and play with her and made her feel special even with everything going on. He showed the same delight with his brothers' children. I went out to visit again after Maddie was born in 2009. Deb was struggling with post-pardum depression and Chris was patient and considerate throughout the process. Now, years later I see Chris as a loving husband to Deb, loving father to Sarah, Maddie, and Drake who all adore him, and a friend. He again has shown such compassion and empathy for all through personal struggles and accomplishments. More so, he does this with sincerity and selflessness despite what obstacles he may be facing in his own life. I also know that what a wife says to her friend about her husband carries the most truth. Despite personal and professional challenges, Deb has always spoken highly of Chris as a spouse, father, lawyer, and man.

I ask that you show leniency for Chris in sentencing. I appreciate you taking the time to read this letter and I thank you for taking this into consideration in your decision.

Sincerely, ...

Alene Shotzline Jackson

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April 8, 2014 ·

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known Chris for about 20 years when we met through a mutual friend. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Getting to know Chris has been a very rewarding experience in my life. I have witnessed Chris with his wife and 3 children to whom he is devoted. He has proved to be a very good father and husband. Chris has supported Animal Welfare and Rescue organization, a cause very dear to me. He has adopted many dogs into his family over the years showing his children the value this brings into people's lives.

Chris has a great work ethic and takes the act of Charity into his work place. The attorneys in his firm are to work at least one pro bono case at all times. Chris, himself has worked numerous pro bono cases over the years. These acts resulted in him being named the Pro Bono Attorney of the Decade by the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada in 2010 as well as numerous other recognitions.

I have spent time with Chris and have watched him work tirelessly to do the right thing for his family and his olients. While visiting Chris in Vegas I have seen him go the extra mile to ensure that his clients are treated fairly and ethically. I know that many times Chris has not gotten paid for this extra effort but doing the right thing trumps this for Chris.

Chris's family and friends as well as myself are richer for knowing him and would all be better served if he able to continue an active role in their lives and in society. Please take all of these factors into account and exercise leniency in your sentencing. I would greatly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

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March 17, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade for over 30 years growing up together in Omaha, Nebraska. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Chris is a unique individual with unmatched character. He exemplifies the type of person I strive to be...one of quality that places the interests of others over his own. In school, this was demonstrated by an unmatched commitment to activities benefitting his classmates and elevating the school as a whole (newspaper, debate and forensics). He was (and continues to be) respected by his peers as an academic. But, even more so because he didn't alienate others that weren't. He is an incredibly thoughtful man.

Please don't hesitate to contact me directly at 917-881-5061 with any questions or additional thoughts.

Sincerely,

Phil Eber

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March 13, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 South 4th Street Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing in support of R. Christopher Reade. It is my understanding that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I'm writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Chris is a good man. Chris is a personal friend that I met through a friend we have in common. I've known Chris for over 10 years and in all my experiences with him I have always found Chris to be a person who puts the needs of others before his own. I've vacationed with Chris. If a task needs to done for the group, Chris is <u>always</u> the first to volunteer. In light of the current situation, there's an insight I had about Chris in the first or second year of our friendship that I felt important to share with you. I recall speaking with our mutual friend about how I felt "Chris is helpful to others, .....perhaps to a fault." Looking back now, I wish I had shared my feeling with Chris. I don't know if things would have turned out differently, but I can certainly understand how a person of Chris' disposition: very generous, selfless and compulsively helpful to others, could find them self in an inappropriate position "for all the right reasons".

Chris comes from a good family. In his school years, he was a strong student and leader. He's helped countless people in his life's vocation. He's a loving husband to his wife and great father to his children. Chris made some mistakes, we all do. I understand we have to be accountable to our errors and I am asking that while deciding Chris's punishment that you be as lenient as you can be. Chris is a good person who made a mistake. He has accepted responsibility and I believe he will not repeat his past mistakes. Please be merciful. I look forward to his return to the community.

Sincerely Gil Schrage gil@lgjou.com 502-386-1102

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March 22, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson

c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler

300 S. Fourth St., Sulte 701

Las Vegas, NV. 89101

Re: R. Cristopher Reade

This letter is to portray our support for R. Christopher (Chris) Reade. We have known Chris for about 13 years. He is the oldest brother of our son-in-law, Dr. Chad Reade.

We have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. -4, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and are writing to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

We have been impressed with how much Chris cares about his sibilings and their families. We have lost two granddaughters through our daughter Jessica, and, son-in-law Chad. Chris was there for them with emotional support and gestures of love and empathy. Chad expressed to us that this kind of support is not the first time Chris has been there for him. In Chad's younger years, Chris was the big brother who not only spent time with his younger brother, but mentored him in many ways. Chad has become a fine man and well-respected physician and wonderful father and husband. Chris' guidance and friendship has meant much to Chad's development.

Chris has always been a man who places high priority on family. He has said many times how proud he is of his family's heritage and legacy. And, has strived to continue a legacy of helping others, that he has seen displayed through his family.

Chris has been very generous to his family. And fun-loving. Exhibit A: the blow up Santa in a bathtub that has found its way into several of our yards during the Christmas holiday. It is gaudy, and, that gave him great satisfaction and joy to see all of our reactions. He has a fun-loving side indeed.

Chris has been known through his practice to help others who sometimes, are experiencing very real, difficult financial situations. It can be difficult to find representation when you don't have the financial means. Chris has brought great comfort and relief to many who might not otherwise have found the proper counsel.

Finally, we see how having a fine young wife and family has meant so much to Chris. He loves to be a husband and father, and we would love to see that family unit be able to stay intact. Not just for Chris, but, moreover for the children and Deb, who would also serve a sentence, just not incarcerated. Her sentence would be a different kind, trying to raise a family with an absent father, and, the financial burden that would accompany that sentence.

In conclusion, thank you for taking our comments under consideration. We truly hope for lenlency in the sentencing of R. Christopher Reade.

John and Terri Steyer (Omaha, NE)

# IMMEDIATE FAMILY

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#### March 20, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winokler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of R. Christopher Reade. I have known R. Christopher Reade since the day he was born, October 15, 1970. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

I am Carolyn J. Reade, proud mother of R. Christopher Reade. Chris is the oldest of our three sons, all of whom we are very proud, and all of whom have brought us much pleasure. Even as a young child, Chris wanted to do his very best at everything he attempted. As his parents, we admired his energy and drive, but (as he freely admits) we did not pressure him to excel. Rather it was his own inner drive which propelled him to work unceasingly to succeed. Yet, I can firmly state that Chris's actions were never aimed at nor resulted in others being negatively affected in any way. He never pulled others down in an effort to pull himself up. On the contrary, he always strived to provide encouragement and support to anyone with whom he came in contact.

I have a lifetime of stories which I could share with this Court about all of his admirable traits but will share merely a few. Chris has always done what he felt and knew to be the correct action whether or not it was a popular thing to do or something which others might not do. As a senior in high school, his younger brother was a freshman and was being taunted and bullied by another student. Chris took it upon himself, without his brother's knowledge, to learn his brother's class schedule and would show up to walk with his brother to his classes. The counselor at school witnessed this many times and called to tell us how admirable she felt this was. Chris never told us of doing this, but we were so pleased that a senior would stand up for a freshman. With Chris's help the problem was solved.

Chris set his sights on becoming an attorney while in grade school and has always aspired to seek justice. It was his wish to help people with any legal issues they might encounter. From asking his father to take him to tour the Douglas County Courthouse, to joining the Law Explorer Post, to meeting with local attorneys and politicians, Chris loved the law and idea that the law was an instrument to help people. The financial reward of the profession did not motivate him. Rather, it was his strong desire to be of service to people and to determine how the law could improve people's lives. The opportunity to serve people through the law has never been Chris's job but has been his true calling, love and identity. For this reason this process in which Chris has faced time away from serving as an attorney has been very hard on him and our family, and for this reason we ask for leniency.

Chris's integrity, honesty and drive are unquestionable. Since he was a young child, his actions have always been motivated by a desire and a determination to do what is right and best for others. He is a person with such a caring heart, perhaps sensitive to a fault. In junior high and high school, Chris had a dear friend who had metastatic Ewing's Sarcoma, a disease that even today has a survival rate of less than ten percent. When she had a bone marrow transplant, Chris went to visit her in the hospital nearly every day for months on end. To my knowledge, he was the only young person who visited her this often, and the University of Nebraska Medical Center was quite a distance from our home. Although she was on extreme immunity protections following her transplant, Chris was present so often that the hospital allowed him to be the first person not required to wear a mask, reasoning that she had to have built up an immunity to him because he was present so often. When she passed away, her parents asked Chris to be a pall bearer, which was an honor and most unusual since the family is Jewish, and we are Christian. However he took her death remarkably hard due to the fact that he simply believed that if a person worked hard enough and prayed hard enough that defeat (even to cancer) was not acceptable. For someone who fights so hard to stand up for what is right, admitting defeat is a crushing blow, and for this reason we ask for leniency.

In his law career, Chris has certainly demonstrated his dedication to his clients irrespective of their ability to pay. While we are very proud of all of his accomplishments and volunteer work, pro bono publico service is truly his passion. The amount of pro bono work he has done over the years is truly remarkable, and his efforts have not gone unnoticed in the community. As this Court probably knows, Chris was recognized for pro bono work for representation of abused and neglected children in 2003 and then for viotims of domestic violence in 2005, as well as taking the most pro bono cases of any attorney in Southern Nevada. He was a founding Board member of the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada Pro Bono Advisory Council and not only takes tons of pro bono work. It was very heart-warming when in 2010, the seven justices of the Nevada Supreme Court presented him with the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada Pro Bono Attorney of the Decade. Chris has worked thousands of hours for the people of Southern Nevada and has done so much good work to have it all destroyed in this process, and for this reason we ask for leniency.

As mentioned earlier, Chris has spent thousands of hours working to provide his clients with the best representation possible, and he has many, many pleased and satisfied clients. However, it is his family of which he is most proud, and it is for them that he has worked so hard. His wife and three young children, along with his extended family, love him dearly. Chris is a very important part of each of their lives. Deb is an outstanding wife and mother, but the best one parent family cannot compare with the benefits of a caring and involved two person family for strength and stability. Deb needs Chris to be present for her and their children. Chris is an involved parent and he and Deb's parenting skills mesh very well together. His daughter, Sarah, is twolve and like her father is anxious to do what is right and what she has seen her parents do. Sarah is an excellent student and looks to her father frequently for guidance and help. Chris has always provided a wonderful learning environment and encouragement for her to excel, including supporting her in her music, Scouts, and church activities. Chris and Sarah created the Daddy-Daughter Date in which they might bond over a trip to Disneyland or skiing at Lake Tahoe together—the key always being the father/child bond which they have built. I speak to this Court not merely as Chris's mother but as Sarah's grandmother and express her concerns and apprehensions regarding the loss of her role model. She needs her father to continue to be able to be a strong presence in her life and for this reason we ask for leniency.

Madeline just turned five and she is definitely a daddy's girl. Chris has started having Daddy-Daughter dates with her also and to teach her to ski. Chris and Madeline have bonded over their garden together. Madeline is Daddy's daredevil who has not found a roller coaster too big for her yet. Drake is 18 months old, but I have no doubt that Daddy-Son dates will start in the near future. It is wonderful to have a family outing, but at the same time, it is also great to be able to have time with your children one at a time. Chris's grandparents did a great job of taking the boys on separate trips where they could focus on one child at a time. I know Chris treasurers the memories of these very special trips and times together and he wants to do the same with his children. These are young children who count upon the strength of their family and strong father in their lives, children who are probably too young to be able to write letters to this Court and to express the love of their family. For this reason we ask for lenlency.

I firmly believe as do countless others that a two parent family is so very important in today's world. There are single parents who are doing a commendable job, but they would freely admit that it is not an ideal situation. Children need two loving, caring parents. Chris and Deb complement each other. Chris's insatiable thirst for knowledge rubs off on their children and they too seek to know about the world around them. Bach day with Chris is truly a learning experience. He spends his time away from the office taking their children for new adventures Deb is an incredible wife, helpmate and mother, and we marvel at all she accomplishes, but she can only do so much. She needs the support which only Chris's presence can provide. The family needs the physical, emotional, and financial support which a loving, caring husband and father can provide. No one can take his place. Chris is a definite asset to the Las Vegas and Nevada legal community, to his clients and associates and others with whom he comes in contact. It is important that he be able to continue to be a helpful contributor to those around him. It is for all these many reasons that we are requesting that the Court exercise discretion and show him leniency in sentencing. Thank you very much for considering my letter.

Very truly yours,

Carolyn J. Reade

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#### Re: R. Christopher Reade

I am writing this letter in support of my husband, Christopher Reade. I am aware of the fact that Chris has entered into a plea agreement for Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering, and am writing this letter begging the Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in his sentencing.

I have struggled for months to find a way to explain years of how loving and giving this man is in a few pages. I first met Chris on February 14, 2005 (Valentines Day) when we went out on our first date to Applebee's. Nothing fancy or elaborate, just dinner, but I knew after that night that my life would never be the same. That night gave me only a small glimpse of who Chris was as a person. Quickly it came to light that he was a man that would invite complete strangers to come, and sit with us at restaurants because he did not like to see anyone eating alone. He asked our first "guest" questions about their life, where they came from and made the person feel important, that they mattered and that someone in world cared for them. He kept a dog leash in his car to rescue lost dogs that were wandering the desert or the streets and would try to find their owner because he said that this animal is someone's best friend. Once when we were driving on Decatur Boulevard we witnessed a dog get hit by a car at the intersection on Sahara. Chris pulled over, and rushed into traffic to get the dog out of the way of being hit again. He called Animal Control and 311 and stayed with the dog to make sure that it was given every chance at life and that it would not die alone. Chris made sure that the dog's body was treated respectfully. Chris would do everything in his power to help others both two legged and four legged be given dignity and love in life and in death.

Chris and I dated for two years before we got married. During that time he (and his family) showed me how a person is supposed to be treated and loved. Chris taught me compassion, humility, hope, honesty and love. In May 2007, five months before we were to be married, I lost my father on May 22, 2007. That night Chris came to my parents' home, coordinated with the Coroner, called my family members who he had never met and stayed up all night making sure everything would be OK for my family. All of the hopes that a girl has to have their father walk them down the aisle were gone. Until recently, the loss of my father was the most tragic, senseless loss that I have ever experienced. My days were filled with tons of unanswered questions, anger, grief and horror. Yet Chris held my hand through every step in the process. When the time came for our wedding, he had his former law partner Judge Gonzalez perform the wedding in Las Vegas because he wanted our union blessed by the very law that he loves and serves. However Chris insisted that we have a second wedding in Omaha so that our marriage could be blessed in the church by God and so that his 97 year old grandmother could be part of our union.' The three things that Chris loves more than anything are faith, family and the law: principles which he champions every day. He is attentive, the rock upon which my family is built and the air that I breathe.

I have known Chris since he built his law firm Reade & Associates from the ground up. We would spend many "dates" in the office because Chris had clients who needed his attention. In October 2007 I began working full-time with Chris in the firm. While it is not easy to work with a spouse, I once again saw a different side to Chris. His professional career as an attorney was something of which he was very proud. Even though he has won numerous awards, volunteered his time on various legal boards and committees and has always been one of the people that the Bar knows they can call whenever they need a volunteer, it is the little things that he is most proud of. The acts that no one notices. The acts that might make a difference to only one person who received a hand up or a voice in the system. His mentor Judge Gonzalez taught him that he had a duty to give back to the community. Chris made it mandatory in his firm that each associate had to have at least one open pro bono case at all times. At the time I did not understand why until I saw him with these clients, staying at the office until midnight because things had to get done. Sometimes I have honestly been worried that as much as he is legally married to me that I am just the mistress to his true love, the law. He even went as far as to purchase clothing for a child that had nothing because he did not want to see this child go to school with holes in their shoes and no coat on their back. He instills this same degree of service in our family. Showing our children that there are less fortunate people out there that need help and that we as a family can help them. Whether it is monetary or through service, everyone has the ability to make a difference. Each year our family "adopts" a less fortunate family at our church for the holidays. It is completely anonymous but we all go and shop for the family and make sure that they have food in the pantry and toys under the tree. And that might be the greatest testament I can think of about Chris. He does not act out of spite, power, opportunism or employment duty; he acts in everything that he does out of love-love of the law as a tool for lifting people up, love of family, love of helping people and love of what is right. The love and generosity that is in this man's heart compares to no one else that I have ever met. He is truly one of a kind and so valuable to this community and to my family.

The Reade family is unlike like any other that I have ever met. Family is everything to them, through the good times and bad they are there for each other. To know his family is to know that I wanted to be a part of this family and to pass those same values down to my children. When my father passed away, Chris's father Bob stepped up to the plate and become a father figure to me. I later learned that Sarah's mom Kim had likewise embraced and been embraced by the Reade Family and been taken in as their own. They are the strongest family which I have ever seen.

During out two years of dating, Chris introduced me not only to his family and his friends but to his daughter Sarah, who was 3 years old. With the stress of a split family, Chris was very protective of Sarah but let me slowly become part of her life. I Sarah looked up to her dad and admired everything he did. To her Chris could do no wrong, that under his clothes he wore a superhero cape. Sarah is special, a true reflection of her dad's values. Sarah, who is now twelve, shows so much promise in her life. She is the perfect combination of grace and charm, intelligence and poise and a true one of a kind. Chris and I along with her mother and stepfather are so excited to see her grow up and follow her dream of becoming a veterinarian and her love of performing on stage. But with that being said this experience and her witnessing the hurt and stress that this hasiput on her dad and the family has been very hard for a little girl to witness. In January 2009 we welcomed our first daughter Madeline to our family. She quickly became a force with whom to be reckoned. She shows so many features that Chris has. His sense of humor, quick wit, leadership skills and sensitivity. She loves being Sarah's little sister and her daddy's little girl. Chris and I have been completely open with the children about his case—a difficult thing for a 5 year old. Sarah understands what is going on more than Madeline does but that is mainly due to her age.

Our son Drake was born in October 2012. Drake's first couple weeks of life were extremely difficult. Born with a hole in his lung and numerous other medical issues, watching him struggle for life was very hard on Chris and I. We spent many hours at the hospital just looking at our son because we were not able to touch him for fear that the stimulation would cause him to breath heavily and possibly tear his lung again. Chris was at the hospital multiple times a day and when he was not there he was on the phone with the doctors talking about the next step that was to be taken. Thankfully all of our prayers and the medical attention that was necessary brought our little boy home. He is now healthy and happy and loves to call out for dada across the house. Even at his young age, he is already showing some of Chris's characteristics. Our children are the light of Chris's life, the reason that he gets up in the morning and the reason that he strives so hard in his profession to make a difference.

When the charges against Chris were first brought to light, there was no doubt in my mind that we would get through this together. In most marriages, stress like this is the wedge that drives a husband and wife apart, but in our case it has only brought us closer to together and more determined. With that being said I am not sure how much longer we can tread water as I truly feel like I am sinking. While I know that you ultimately have the final decision on Chris's sentence, please know that Chris is the kind of person that only betters the community and the people around him. He is the love of my life, the father of my children, and my best friend. Without him in my life it would be (and candidly has been) an extremely hard road to face and walk, both emotionally and financially. I ask that you look beyond the charge and see the man that I (and I know so many other people) see and know. I promise that you will see a man that is different from everyone else and one that will never make you second guess your decision at leniency. Please show leniency on my husband, if not for me but for my children and our community.

Thank you'for your time in reading this letter and the consideration that you will give.

Sincerely, Debra Reade

March 31, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish & Winckler 300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

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Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of my brother R. Christopher Reade. My name is Chad Reade, and I am his youngest brother. I currently live with my wife and three children in Omaha, Nebraska, where I am a graduate of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine and work as an Internal Medicine physician. I am aware that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3, which is Accessory After the Fact to a former client who was found guilty of Money Laundering. I am writing this letter to ask this Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

While I could exhaust an entire document sharing the same sentiments about which many other people have written, which is his very public generosity and charity. I first want to alert the Court to a much more private and personal side of Chris. My brother's life has been one marked by selfless loyalty and commitment to virtue and family. He is eight years my senior, and his role in my life growing up was nearly as much parent as it was brother. During my junior high and early high school years, Chris was in the prime of his college and law school years. Despite his busy schedule, more weekends than not he would drive halfway back from college in order to meet my mother so he could pick me up and share his weekends with me. He would take me back to Lincoln and let me stay with him, foregoing study time and social opportunities with friends to spend time with me and serve as my role model. He knew what an awkward phase of life it was for me, and not once did he ever give the impression that it was an imposition to have his (pre) teenage brother with him. His primary interest was always to know what I wanted to do; even then I was cognizant of how he always put his cares and concerns beneath mine. Brothers are supposed to support each other, but I know of very few big brothers who go to those lengths-especially during college and professional school years. Personally and professionally, the investment he made during my developmental years has as much impact on me today as it did then; however his investment didn't stop there.

He stood with me when my wife Jessica and I were married in 2003 (as Jessica and I did for him and his wife Deb when they were married). As newlyweds without any money and me about to begin medical school, Chris helped us get a starter home by sending us a check for the down payment on our first home. Holidays are usually spent together, though admittedly he, Deb, and the kids are usually the ones volunteering to travel. When we do travel to Las Vegas, Chris and Deb bend over backwards to make everyone comfortable and at home...the same way he did when he would take me to Lincoln so many years ago. It is unusual for a weekend to go by without us talking. To my children Chris is "the fun uncle," the one who will laugh at their jokes or get down with them on the floor to play their game or wrestle with them. In July 2012 he flew back not once but twice to support Jessica and me as we went through the birth and death of our daughter Avery Joy, our second child lost. That Christmas I went to visit the gravesite of my children and found a set of footprints through the snow where Chris had without notice or announcement gone through the snow to clear off the graves so that they would be seen and

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known on Christmas. I have watched him make the same kind of investment in his children and in mine that he made in me many years ago.

As all brothers do, I have seen my brother make mistakes and find himself in turmoil and turnult. While I respect and love him immensely, he is not and never has claimed to be perfect. His response to these mistakes is first to own up to them, then to learn from and make the best of them. He also has a keen sense of wanting to protect others from turmoil and to assume the brunt of unkind circumstance. Chris truly is a man defined not by his mistakes but by his resiliency to bounce back and to make things better. When his eldest daughter Sarah was born 12 years ago, Chris acknowledged that the pregnancy had not been planned and was not under circumstances which he believed ideal. Rather than running away from the issue though, he embraced the opportunity to be a father, spending night after night in the NICU with her while her mother had other medical issues. I will always remember the first time Chris brought Sarah back for Christmas: he was enamored with that little girl and would go to the ends of the Earth to protect and provide for his child. To this day, he goes out of his way to communicate to Sarah how much she means to him and what a privilege it is to be her father. Those that know Chris know that he starts everyday with Sarah by telling her how much he loves her, and that he speaks with her on each and every one of his off-days at 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. More than that, Chris has taken painstaking efforts to not only maintain a cordial relationship with Sarah's mother and stepfather, but in fact to cultivate a friendship that creates the best possible model environment for Sarah and for their collaborative parenting efforts.

Combined giftedness in sensitivity to the needs of others and the fortitude to meet those needs drives my brother's service to those around him. His selfless professional contributions and hundreds (if not thousands) of hours of professional and pro bono service over the years speak for themselves. I am aware of and proud of him for the attorney and advocate that he is, and it frankly did not surprise me in the least when he was awarded the Pro Bono Attorney of the Decade. He has always humbly expressed his surprise and gratitude to win the award, but I know it meant much less to him than the knowledge that all along the way he was making the difference he wanted to make in the world. As I approach patient care in my role as a general internist in Omaha, I have been inspired by his selflessness. It is with no shame that I admit: I cannot find a healthcare provider in my city who gives nearly as much of his or her time away as my brother has in the legal field.

To see his record of service professionally over the years has been wonderful. But to really know Chris Reade is to know that his most significant and important contributions have been and continue to be reflected in the lives of his wife, his children, and the rest of his family. It is on this basis I humbly plead for leniency and mercy. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

The Honorable Kent Dawson c/o Wright, Stanish and Winckler 300 South Street, Suite 701 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Re: R. Christopher Reade

This letter is being written in support of Robert Christopher Reade. I am Robert B. Reade, proud father of this man who bears my name. After college, I started Total Marketing Incorporated, a manufacturer's representative agency for plumbing products. Total Marketing is a 38 year old firm which has now evolved into a distributor for restroom, plumbing, and piping products. This was our family company in which all of my sons have worked growing up. Chris and his two younger brothers have brought much happiness and joy to his mother and me. I have been made aware of the fact that Chris has entered a plea pursuant to 18 USC § 3, which is Accessory After the Fact. I am writing this letter to ask the Court to exercise discretion and show Chris leniency in sentencing.

Since he was a young child, Chris has shown a passion to learn and excel in anything in which he took part. He has always had a thirst for knowledge and is fortunate to remember so much of what he reads that I have thought he had a photographic memory. To this day, I am amazed at his storehouse of knowledge. In school, he did very well in academics, and yet he always was patient and understanding of those who did not grasp the material as quickly as he did. In his high school accelerated math class, at conference time, the teacher who was not proficient at teaching the material, told my wife that he was puzzled that Chris was able to make the material understandable to the students when he himself could not do so.

Chris participated in a number of activities including Cub Scouts, Webelos, and Boy Scouts. I was the Scoutmaster, and Chris and I had a wonderful trip to Philmont Scout Ranch. That was a wonderful bonding experience which both of us cherish. Chris participated in numerous sports, including Baseball, Soccer, and Cross Country among other sports. As much as Chris liked sports and the competition, Chris is best remembered athletically not for his time in competition but for when he umpired baseball games of younger players. He was admired by the parents and selected to be the umpire for championship games because his calls were fair, he made the calls loud and clear and he never allowed himself to be intimidated by the parents and coaches from making the right call. He showed no favoritism and called his brothers out when they were out, but he did it in such a way that none of the players felt badly. Chris was the first kid in line to shake hands at the end of games. Chris has always been happlest when he can help others or be of service and has always sought the role of the mediator and keeper of order. That continues to be his motivation for many of his actions. Many people have probably written about Chris's love of the law and how he always wanted to be an attorney since he was little. I think that only tells the first part of the story and skips the real fact which is that Chris's love of the law was shown in his umpiring and ability to be fair and true to all players: Chris's real goal in life was to be a judge, a dream which is now lost for all of us.

I know his mother included this example in her letter but to me it is one of the best examples of his character. Chris had a friend from Junior High until College who was battling compromising cancer. They became wonderful friends, and when she underwent a bone marrow transplant at the University of Nebraska Medical Center he visited her every day. No friend was more conscientious about going to see her. It was not cool to hang out with the girl in the baseball cap for many people. It is not easy when you are 16 and feel immortal to go deal with chemotherapy, hospitals and mortality every day. Her cancer went away and they finished high school