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Re: United States v. Alfredo Pineda-Palacios - CR No. 02-376-DT

Dear Jack:

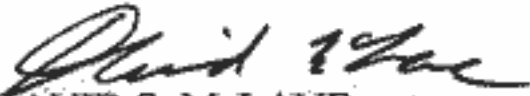
I am enclosing a copy of the dismissal in this case. As you know, we retained you specifically because I believe that you have credibility with the United States Attorney's office. As former head of the FBI Polygraph Program at the Los Angeles Field Office, I believed that if my client passed your polygraph, it would carry much weight in convincing the government to dismiss the case.

You went the extra mile in this case. You conducted the first polygraph examination, and Mr. Palacios passed the examination. When the government wanted the answer to a specific question we did not ask, you conducted a second polygraph where Mr. Palacios passed again.

You went with me to a meeting where we met with attorneys from the United States Attorney's office, and we demonstrated how the polygraphs which Mr. Palacios passed demonstrated his innocence in this case. You were professional in your presentation, and your reputation with that office made the polygraph results much more credible. They never challenged the validity of your examination.

I believe your polygraph examinations which my client passed were instrumental in obtaining dismissal of the charges. I thank you for the efforts you made in this case. I spoke to Mr. Palacios, and he thanks you as well. He will be released from custody shortly.

Best regards,

  
DAVID S. McLANE  
Deputy Federal Public Defender

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