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Subject: Inquiry - Christopher Watts

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Judge Kopcow -

I am writing to you on the behalf of Cindy Watts, the mother of Christopher Watts.

Since the time of Chris's arrest his entire family has been denied contact with him. They attempted to contact him by phone, by email and in person and were denied by the Public Defenders Office each time. The night before the hearing they were allowed to visit for 30 min each (father, mother and sister) which is the first contact they've had since arrest. During the meeting, his mother attempted to ask him if this was what he really wanted (a plea deal) and was told "do NOT ask him that or we will shut this shit down NOW" by the attorney present. They have felt threatened and bullied when all they want to do is see their son and make sure this is his plea since that is not what his original confession was.

The family feels that Chris has been coerced into making this confession. He has been isolated the entire 3 months and had contact with no one except the attorneys and his jailers. The family feels he has been told by the Public Defender that he has no other options than to take this plea and has therefore accepted his fate. However, they don't actually know the facts since they are not allowed to speak to Chris. Since the Nov 6th hearing the family has called the Public Defenders office numerous times and they have been re-routed each time to a Social Worker.

It is the opinion of Mr. Watts family that he has been coerced, has been denied his constitutional rights and more - all in an attempt to quickly close this case. They want to have a new attorney speak to Chris, on their behalf, to determine if this is a true confession or one that is based on inhumane treatment at the hands of the Public Defenders Office of Weld County. If they had not been denied access to Chris then they would not be forced to contact you for equal justice for their son.

Today Mrs. Watts has left 2 voicemails with your office which is closed for the holiday. She would like to speak with you about this matter and to find out why their family is being denied access to Chris and to make sure he is receiving fair treatment under our constitution. Her number is [REDACTED]. She will accept your call at any time and is aware I have reached out to you.

Thank you for your time,
K Almand