

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

<p>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">v.</p> <p>CLAYTON RAY MULLINS,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Defendant.</p> <hr style="width: 100%;"/>	<p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p> <p>)</p>	<p>Criminal No. 21-cr-00035-EGS (Release Order 21-mj-233-RMM)</p>
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**DEFENDANT’S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
MODIFY CONDITIONS OF RELEASE (ECF No. 77)**

The government claims that Clayton Mullins has “demonstrated a *tendency toward violence* and a willingness to impede and obstruct the right and lawful function of government.” Government’s Opposition, ECF No. 79 at 3 (emphasis added). This proposition is belied by their failed attempt to wrest his liberty. They tried to detain him pretrial based on risk of flight and obstruction of justice under 18 U.S.C. §§ 3142(f)(2). *See* pleadings at ECF No. 6 & 8 (21-mj-233-RMM). Chief Judge Howell summarily rejected this attempt on March 2, 2021. *See* Minute Entry on that date denying Government’s Motion for Review and Appeal of Release Order (no memorandum opinion issued); release order at ECF No. 11 (21-mj-233-RMM).

To be clear, the government did not seek detention based on proof that my Client committed a crime of violence (18 U.S.C. §§ 3142(f)(1)(A)) because no such evidence existed. And still does not.

Attached are 34 additional letters from family and friends.

FAMILY - Exhibit 1

- 1) Janice Mullins Spraggs, Sister - Murray, Kentucky

- 2) Patricia & Bobby Rohrer, Paternal-In-Laws - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 3) Robert & Dana Rohrer, Sibling-In-Laws - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 4) Connie Newsome, Sister-In-Law - Farmington, Kentucky
- 5) Amber Spraggs, Niece - Murray, Kentucky
- 6) Colton Sisson, Nephew - Wingo, Kentucky
- 7) Corey Newsome, Nephew - Farmington, Kentucky
- 8) Victoria Prock, Cousin - Avon, Indiana

FRIENDS - Exhibit 2

- 1) Dr. Bobby J. Adams - Dyersburg, Tennessee
- 2) April Brown - Hixson, Tennessee
- 3) Danny L. Cope - Calvert City, Kentucky
- 4) Bettye E. Crawford - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 5) Chandra Davis - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 6) Don & Nancy Gossum - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 7) James Gossum - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 8) Brent & Cassie Graham - Harrisburg, Illinois
- 9) Greg Graves - Paducah, Kentucky

FRIENDS - Exhibit 3

- 10) David Graziano - Paducah, Kentucky
- 11) Branon Hardy - Gilbertsville, Kentucky
- 12) Kim Harris - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 13) Don R. Holshouser - Mayfield, Kentucky

- 14) Ross Howell - Gilbertsville, Kentucky
- 15) Seth Jones - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 16) Michael Jurglomies - Wingo, Kentucky
- 17) Jim Kimmel - Benton, Kentucky
- 18) Tanna Kimmel - Gilbertsville, Kentucky

Friends - Exhibit 4

- 19) Linda LaTourelle King - Mayfield, Kentucky
- 20) Kim McGhee - Hickory, Kentucky
- 21) Thomas & Sandra Mock - Bertrand, Missouri
- 22) David Moore - Jackson, Tennessee
- 23) Jake Peeler - Farmington, Kentucky
- 24) Bobby Poat - Paducah, Kentucky
- 25) Teresa Rogers - Graves County, Kentucky
- 26) Clay Wagnon - Warren, Arkansas

In total, we have 72 letters of public support for Clayton that give the Court every reason to grant this Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Judge Sullivan,

I am Clayton Mullins sister Janice Mullins Spraggs. I am 65 years old, a house wife, mother of 4 children and live in Murray Ky.

I am writing this letter on behalf of Clayton. He is the youngest of 6 children in our family, brought up in church, loves the Lord and serves him. Ask him about Jesus and he can tell you. I have known him all of his life, he is 13 years younger than me. I love him dearly he is my brother an always have been there for me and my family. He has helped ones in need an I have witnessed that. And ones that has troubles, he talks to them about the Lord an let's them know how you can go to him for guidance

We were raised to listen to authority an most of all live by Gods word. An love each other. You can ask anyone about our bringing up and our family from which we were raised by Jessie and Virginia Mullins of Graves Co. Ky. We went to a small school in Wingo Ky an graduated from Graves Co High school, Mother an Daddy made sure of that.

He was always taught to help others in need and each other. If he tells you he will do something then he will do it.

Please consider Clayton as a loving considerate person who can do good for our community and not tear it down.

Sincerely,

Janice Mullins Spraggs

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

Sincerely, I am writing this letter in concern of my family. We have been talked about on T.V. and they have smeared our names. This is my son-in-law Clayton Ray Mullins who attended a rally for Trump. They were invited to come to Washington, Clayton his wife and sister. This trip has been total hell!! T.V. and radio chasing them down. The law arrested Clayton, put him in chains and time after time showed this on the news.

Clayton is a very good man. He and my daughter stand for what is right! They support their church by helping with expenses, supplies a home for the pastors that preach there. Clayton's parents are deceased and he was left with their home place, so he helps the church out and provides the home for free. He is the song leader and Nancy does all the decorating of the church at no charge. Clayton started a business with no help but plenty of hard work. Nancy works at the hospital here for about 22 years now.

They are always helping people and that was what he was doing on January 6th. He and Nancy have helped me and my husband for many years. This has been awful! Clayton has been on house arrest and can't come to our house. My husband is a cancer patient and we sure miss our family.

I pray you will take a close look at this mess. You will see Clayton was helping the man. This is the way he is! We are praying this will be over very soon! May God Bless!

Sincerely,
Patricia & Bobby Rohrer
Mayfield, Ky

Dear Judge Sullivan:

Our names are Robert Rohrer, Jr and Dana Rohrer, Husband and Wife. Clayton Ray Mullins is our brother in law. He is married to Nancy who is my younger sister. We are writing to provide the court with information about Clayton for the court to consider.

Clayton has been a part of our family since Nancy was about 14 years old, when they started dating. Clayton has always been upstanding, kind and a reliable partner for Nancy. He also loves his family greatly. He is a Christian who follows God's word in word and deed and tries to be an encouragement and a light to others. He is caring and a hard worker and provider.

Clayton is the kind of person that you can call at any time and he will go out of his way to help you. His dad died at an early age and Clayton has always took such good care of his mom while she was alive, while still taking care of Nancy his wife. Clayton is a member of a good church and is very involved with his church. I would trust Clayton with any member of my family or any member of the community at large. He is a non-violent, not easily angered person with very high morals and values. I am proud to call Clayton a member of our family. He makes us proud every day with his life and his moral character.

Thank you for letting us share our experiences with you.

Sincerely,

Robert and Dana Rohrer

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan

United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re; Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

Sincerely, I am Clayton's sister in law, been married for 37 yrs with 4 children and 9 grandchildren. My parents and our family grew up in the same little town of Dublin, Ky. and have known his family basically all our lives. His family was very respectable in the community and although Clayton was the baby of his family, his parents were older and made him work hard to make his way. Clayton loved them deeply and took very good care of his parents till the day they died. He started going with my little sister about in the 7th grade. Only guy she ever dated and they have been together to this day. He adores her and to this day I have never heard him raise a voice, a finger or merely even recall them even arguing ever. They are such sweethearts! Although they chose to not have kids of their own, they have always loved and cared for all of their nieces and nephews. 26 in all including the greats. They adore them like their own. They live on a lake and every summer my twin girls loved to go spend some weekends with them and go hiking on trails. I would never hesitate to let them go because I knew they were safe there and well taken care of. They always read their bible to them and prayed with them before bed. That's one thing Clayton and Nancy have never strayed from and that's their religion and faith in God. They are faithful servants in their church. He is the song leader there and she is always involved with things going on and decorating.

Back to my family, although Clayton no longer has his parents he has always treated my mom and dad (his in laws) with respect and honor. Always helping them with something needing fixing or repaired, checking on them faithfully weekly and occasionally spending the night because he and my sister kinda love our mom's good cooking! HaHa! Plus they live about 45 mins away. They love him and think of him as their own son. He and Nancy are as good as gold to them and that means a lot to us. To me Clayton has always been there anytime I needed him for anything, one call is all it would take. You can always rely on him. He's one to always shoot you the truth if you need an honest opinion. He has always been there for me and my family through trials in our lives. I love Clayton as I do my own two brothers and I will continue to love and support him through all of this also. I believe in my heart he would never try and inflict harm on anyone, and that's something I have never witnessed coming from him in the 38ish years I've known Clayton. And there's not a doubt in my mind, the Clayton I know and love, I honestly believe he was only trying to get the officer out of harm's way. We are in continued prayer to God for Clayton's best possible outcome is this. Thank you for your time Judge Sullivan!

Sincerely,
Connie Newsome

Dear Judge Sullivan,

My name is Amber, Clayton is my uncle. I lived in Graves County Kentucky all my life until two years ago. I now reside in Murray, Kentucky. Only 35 minutes from Clayton's home.

I am writing this letter to provide you with additional personal information about my uncle. When I turned 16 he took the time to take me to an auction so I could buy my very first car. This was a very big deal to me. I was so excited and proud of this little car. He was always there to try and help the best he knew how.

My Grandmother, who is Clayton's mother, was the glue that kept our large family together. After her passing Clayton has tried to step into those shoes and he always seemed to do the best he could to make it happen. He loves his family.

I have experienced a lot of health issues throughout the years that require surgery at times. He suggested that the church gather together and pray over me before my procedure. This meant a lot to me. I hope this letter has helped explain what Clayton means to the family and more understanding into his personality.

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,

Amber Spraggs

Dear Judge Sullivan,

My name is Colton Sisson, Clayton Mullins is my uncle on my mother's side of the family. Uncle has been there for me my entire life. He has always been a role model to me, so much that sometimes when I say something my nephew will tell me that I sound just like him. He has taught me a lot through the years. I remember getting frustrated and wanting to quit because I couldn't water ski but he wouldn't let me give up because he could see how close I was to figuring it out so pushed me and encouraged me to keep getting back up until I got it. I have countless crazy stories with him. From "bear tricking" in Gatlinburg to white water rafting with a guide still drunk from the night before to him saving me from almost drowning in California. Life could have been very different if he wasn't looking out for me that day. He may not of realized it then but through these experiences he's actually taught me a lot. I learned how to be determined and not quit, how to be creative and make my own fun, and to be conscious of others around me. Now that I have a son of my own I would love for him to be around so my boy can have similar crazy stories to tell with our Uncle and learn a thing or two through the experience.

Sincerely,
Colton Sisson

Dear Honorable Judge Sullivan,

I, Corey Newsome, have known Clayton Mullins my whole life. I've known him as a friend, boss and uncle. In the 36 years of me knowing him I can tell you that he is a very honorable man and someone that I truly look up to.

Clayton has been in church every time the doors are open. I've never heard him say a cross word or harm anyone for as long as I've known him. We would have meals at my grandparents house after church and Clayton would on occasions drive something he had been working on over to show us. As a young boy I remember him bringing a dune buggy over and him riding me around the farm all afternoon while I'm thinking this is the coolest guy ever!

While in high school I worked for him building and tearing down pallets and he was a respectable boss. Clayton has worked extremely hard his whole life and has given back to the community.

He is a man with upstanding values and one you can call and count on being wherever you may need him.

I want to thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Corey Newsome

June 1, 2021

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan

United States District Court

333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D. C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

My name is Victoria Prock and I am a cousin of Clayton Mullins. I am 74 years old and am retired from General Motors after 42 years. I currently reside in Avon, Indiana. I have known Clayton his entire life. He is an upstanding Christian man who is there to help anyone in need.

Clayton was raised in a Christian household by two loving parents. I think you could ask anyone about Clayton and get the same positive responses. He is a hard working individual who makes a good honest living doing what is right. Like I said, he will help anyone in need. He is happily married to Nancy, his wife.

Clayton has a strong network of family and Believers who are there to testify to what a fine young man he is and they will be there for him when this case ends.

Sincerely,


Victoria Prock

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333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

Hello, I am a minister and my name is Dr. Bobby J. Adams. I am one of two ministers who speaks at Little Obion Baptist Church where Mr. Clayton R. Mullins is a member, along with his wife, Nancy Mullins. I drive to Little Obion in Wingo, KY from Dyersburg, TN about twice a month and have known Bro. Clayton a little over 8 months now. He asked me if I would be interested in writing a character reference of sorts, and of course I said that I would be glad to help if that is possible. Honestly, I have only found Mr. Clayton to be pleasant, positive and a well-informed Christian who is very well respected, not only in church, but in his community. He is a very responsible leader in church, his home and his business. His part in the service is to lead in the singing, give the announcements and pray. He is also a man of integrity, Christian deportment, and a business man who deeply loves his God and his family. May I add that he is a giving man, in that he supports the ministry of his church.

When I first received a call from Bro. Clayton, he was very concerned that my belief system is grounded in God's word and knows how a person is saved according to Holy Scriptures. I feel like he is a man who knows and loves the truth. He also watches out for the flock to see if I would be a match for Little Obion Baptist Church. Clayton has always been very thoughtful towards the other minister and myself. When I have brought my youngest granddaughter, he and everyone else made her feel welcomed and he genuinely seemed to care about her as well. I might also add that he and the other members have always made me feel welcomed. I personally trust him and his opinions to coincide with the Bible. Oh, may I hasten to add that he has taken me out to eat after the morning session and paid for my meal and was very careful to see that I enjoyed the meal and if I was satisfied with it. He has also gone to visit some people who were in bad health and remembered to pray for them in church.

I have observed Mr. Mullins speaking to everyone in attendance and hugs all his family, and welcoming everyone. He is a business man with integrity in his company from what I can gather from the people at church.

Thank you, Judge Sullivan, for your time in allowing me to highly recommend Mr. Clayton R. Mullins by submitting a character reference on his behalf.

Sincerely,

Bobby Adams, Th.D.
06/07/2021

Pat M. Woodward, Esq.
Counselor at Law
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Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Judge Sullivan,

My family and I have been close friends with Clayton and his family for many, many years. Clayton is a man of principle, highly respected in business, his church, his community, and with family and friends. He is someone you call when you are in need. Whether it is advice, a listening ear, or prayer, he will drop everything and be there for you. It is comforting to know my daughters have an extra set of Godly parents they can call on at any time.

Sincerely,

April Brown
Hixson, Tennessee

June 7, 2021

To whom it may concern:

I have known Clayton Mullins for 20 years and have been his friend and business associate for all those years. I first met Clayton attending equipment sales all across the United States. Not one time have I ever seen him upset or disrespectful with anyone? He is a man who believes in God and serves him in heart and in person. I have had business deals with him and he has always stood up to what he agreed to and went far beyond to make sure I got what I needed and expected. I stand by him and support him through any situation.

Danny L. Cope

Danny L Cope

Danny Cope Excavating LLC

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

I am Bettye Crawford. I live in Mayfield Ky and I am 96 years old. My body does not move as fast as it used to but my mind still works quite well. I have known Clayton Mullins for over 25 years. He has always been a good person and has been very helpful to my family and me.

Several years ago he helped with our cattle farm. He started by building a new sorting corral. He and my husband would then decide which cattle sell and where would be the best place to sell them. He would make arrangements to have them hauled to the auction. I know that he would have made better use of his time buying and selling cattle for himself but he preferred to help my husband and me instead.

More recently Clayton had his own business selling equipment. My husband would worry and want to be sure that Claytons business was successful. Jean was very happy to see Claytons business do well but I was never concerned. He is a smart, well liked, christian person and I knew that he would do well.

I think very highly of Clayton and would appreciate any leniency that you could give him. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

Sincerely,
Bettye E. Crawford



Chandra Davis

Chandra Davis ✦ [REDACTED] St Rt 1276 ✦ Mayfield, KY 42066

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

My name is Chandra Davis, the Administrative Assistant at First Assembly of God in Mayfield, Kentucky. I have been a member of First Assembly since 1985. My grandfather was Pastor of this church, as well as my Father. I have known the family of Clayton Mullins's in-laws my entire life. Clayton began dating, Nancy Rohrer, whom is now his wife, when they were in high school. I also attended the same high school as Clayton and Nancy. I have been acquainted with him since that time.

I am offering this letter on Clayton's behalf. Although I was not in his circle of friends...for many years I have seen his character on display and know him to be an upstanding citizen, a very caring person and a man of solid and noble character. He has a kind spirit and the people he chooses to surround himself with are of the best character that I know!

Clayton has a great reputation in our community and it is my very strong opinion that he, in no way, is guilty of what has been alleged against him! These claims do not coincide with the type of character I see in this man.

I thank you, sincerely, for your time and consideration of my testimony on behalf of Clayton Mullins; a man I believe to be well-deserving.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Chandra Davis

Dear Judge Sullivan,

We have known Clayton since he was born. He was raised in a Christian home and brought up to be a very respectful young man.

Clayton has always been involved in his community and church. This young man would never consider harm to anyone.

We love him and his family!

Sincerely,

Don and Nancy Gossum

Dear Honorable Judge Sullivan,

I, James Gossum, have known Clayton Mullins since he was probably 10 years old as our families were neighbors in a small rural community. Clayton along with his family have always been decent hard working people.

Clayton has always been respectful to others whether it be a casual dinner or business transaction. These values have continued with him through his path in life even as a young teenager Clayton would choose to go to a church singing instead of running with others. Growing up poor Clayton worked for what he has but never forgot his family or community. He has generously helped financially and physically always with smile and level of concern about their needs asking nothing in return. Knowing Clayton most of my life he has never been a violent or vengeful person instead he has shown to be a calm caring person with upstanding values.

Sincerely,

James Gossum
Mayfield ky

Dear Judge Sullivan,

My name is Carroll Brent Graham. I am a former U.S Marine, former Kentucky State Trooper, and I am currently a Sergeant with the Illinois State Police. I have been in Law Enforcement for approximately 25 years.

I am a friend of Clayton Mullins. I met Clayton when my wife, Cassie, and I started attending Wingo Baptist Church in Wingo Kentucky. Clayton and his family attended there at the same time. Clayton was a good friend of mine there and has always been PRO- Law Enforcement. Clayton was always helpful to me and my wife.

One time Clayton attended an auction with my wife and I and helped us purchase a house at a courthouse auction. Clayton was very familiar with auctions and the whole process because , as I recall, he was an auctioneer and had experience at auctions that I didn't have.

If I needed help with anything I knew I could count on Clayton for help. Clayton was always supportive of Law Enforcement and had the utmost respect for the people involved in Law Enforcement.

For what it's worth I have reviewed the video pertaining to the Capitol which shows Clayton Mullins. From my knowledge and knowing Clayton personally, it appears to me that he is trying to keep the "MOB" from dragging the officer out of view. I believe if Clayton hadn't held on to the Officer's leg that Officer may not be with us today. I'm telling you right now I know Clayton, and I know his family, I know Clayton would have my back in a second if I needed him.

Sincerely,

Brent and Cassie Graham
(618) 841-2166
Harrisburg, IL. 62946

Dear Judge Sullivan,

I'm writing this letter to you today in regards to Clayton Mullins. My name is Greg Graves I'm 56 years old and live in Paducah Ky. I have known Clayton my entire life. We went to the same high school in the small town of Wingo Ky. Although Clayton is a few years younger than myself we were around each other outside of school. Clayton comes from a family of hard workers and he himself has had to work from a very young age. He lived on a farm in a community called Dublin. His family worked cattle on a daily basis. His father instilled in him the work ethic that he has today. Clayton understands that nothing will be given to him and he must work and earn everything that he gets. I have helped them at the stockyard shuttling cattle thru the sale or loading hog trucks at midnight after working all day. I would ride with his father at night delivering cattle to the various buyers that attended the sale. I know how Clayton was raised because his father treated me the same way he did his family, for that I will forever be grateful. Although I wasn't with Clayton's father everyday he still made a lasting impression on me. He was a good man and he demanded the same of those around him and especially his children. All of his children are of good character and hard workers.

Once Clayton graduated he continued working with his family and even married the only person he ever loved. Nancy and her family are of the same character and integrity that Clayton was raised from.

I still have dealings with Clayton working equipment auctions thru another friend of mine. I work some of the bigger auctions 2 or 3 times a year and Clayton is there buying for himself or others that have entrusted him to purchase items for them. This might not seem like a big issue for some people but we are talking about big purchases of 40-50000 dollar items. There are multiple people that Clayton buys for and all know that his honesty and integrity are not in question when they send him requests for items to purchase on their behalf.

In closing I would just like to say I hope my letter to you helps you see what we all know about the character and integrity of Clayton Mullins. That you read my letter knowing that it does not come from some lawyer or highly intelligent college educated person, but that it comes from a guy that grew up in a small community that all we had was each other to depend on. I'm writing this letter because I am that person that depends on the help of others from time to time. I'm also the person that others can depend on when they need me. Clayton Mullins and his entire family are those type of people. I hope my letter resonates with you the love I have for Clayton and his entire family. I'm sure my writing skills are not what you may be used to but know that every word of it comes from my heart.

Sincerely

Greg Graves

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June 7, 2021

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

I have been a friend of Clayton's for approximately 12 years. I met him through his sister, Tena, who is my office manager. I am 41 years old and the president of a company that my father started over 37 years ago in Paducah, Kentucky.

I felt led to write this letter to let you know what kind of person that I believe that Clayton is. I have interacted with Clayton on a professional and a personal level. Since his sister works for me, I have heard her tell of many things that he does or has done that has made me respect him. I have watched him numerous times help his sister whenever she needed help.

I have purchased equipment from his business and if I had any trouble with any of the equipment, he would take it back and make it right. I do not know many used equipment dealers that will do that.

He is an honest and caring individual that will try to help anyone that is in need. He is a happy person that always has a smile on his face whenever you see him. He is very entertaining with funny stories of things that has happened to him down through the years. He is very involved in his church doing many different tasks that he is asked to do.

Clayton, along with his wife, Nancy, are compassionate people and they showed this during the sickness and death of my father, and I appreciated it very much. I know that they prayed for us, and they also came to the funeral home to be there for me and my family.

I wrote this to be a help to my friend in his time of need. He has a good reputation in the community because of his compassion, honesty, and reliability. I am proud to call him my friend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Graziano", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David Graziano

FROM THE FRIEND OF
Clayton Mullins

June 13, 2021

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001
Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan,

You do not know me but I felt it necessary to try and express who Clayton Mullins is because he is more than 21-cr-00035-EGS.

I am Branon Hardy and I have know Clayton for many years. I was introduced to Clayton through his sister, Tena Sisson, 13 years ago when she came to work for our family business, First-Line Fire Extinguisher Co. Every Mullin family member I know, and Clayton is no exception, are standup Christian people that stand for what is right. They are the type of people you want to know because no matter what is happening in their life they will be there for you when you are down and need help. Everyone knows a "Clayton" and if you don't I hope you get to meet and know one. The Clayton I know runs a successful business, always has a smile on his face and makes having and running a successful business look easy. Clayton is a man of integrity and a man with honor. He, and his wife, Nancy are respectable role models and display a faithful marriage that is admired by others.

In closing, Clayton Mullins is a man of integrity, trustworthiness, and honor. I want you to know that I am keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. We ask that God gives you the wisdom and knowledge you need to make this decision.

Sincerely yours,

Branon Hardy

Dear Judge Sullivan,

I have known Clayton all my life. We grew up together. He is a very respectful man. He is very respected in his community. Clayton has always been a very hard working young man!

He has always put his family first. He took very good care of his mom. Serves in his church faithfully. He would never consider harming or disrespecting another person.

I have the utmost respect for this young man.

Sincerely,

Kim Harris

May 23, 2021


The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

My name is Don Holshouser from Mayfield, Ky. I'm 67 years old and have lived here my entire life. I first met Clayton Mullins in 1991 as we worked together for the Ky Revenue Cabinet in the Graves County property valuation office. Our duties were to update data so the state of KY could assess property more effectively. During this time we became good friends as well as co-workers. He was a positive influence on me through his strong work ethic and his dedication to his family, friends and church. I knew Clayton would progress and succeed at anything he did. To this day he runs a successful heavy equipment and machinery business that he built from the ground up. He believes in hard work and dedication. I have never known Clayton to treat anyone disrespectful or cause any trouble. He believes in and loves this great country and in the American dream and that liberty and freedom is a gift from God. Thank you for this opportunity to describe the character of my good friend and brother in Christ forever.

Sincerely,


Don R Holshouser

Dear Judge Sullivan,

Hello my name is Ross Howell. I am 38 years old and from Gilbertsville kentucky. I have known Clayton for almost 10 years. I work construction and own and operate a mowing business with my father Larry Howell. We have grown quite fond of Clayton over the past 10 years. He's one of our favorite customers which quickly turned to a friendship.

In my opinion everyone makes mistakes, were only human. Clayton has always been nothing but good to my father and I. We have a lot in common both being men of God and helping others who are maybe less fortunate.

I have known Clayton for going on 10 years and we quickly established a friendship. He is really particular when it comes to his yard and I feel privileged I can provide a service he is satisfied with. He is always willing to help out his neighbors from cutting trees due to storm damage and giving good Christian advice. He is very involved with his church and surrounding communities, always willing to lend a hand.

He is a hard working person and a family man. Goes far and beyond for his friends and family, always placing his faith in the good Lord. Has always been nothing but honest with me and giving good Christian advice, that helped me threw some ruff situations in my own life. So in closing I have nothing but respect and gratitude for Clayton and his family and God bless.

Sincerely,

Ross Howell

Seth Jones

5/28/2021

The Honorable Judge Emmet G. Sullivan

United States District Court

333 Constitution Avenue N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan,

Hello, My name is Seth Jones. I am 40 Years old, and i have been a firefighter for 20 years, and also work along with Clayton. I am writing you to let the court know what kind of person Clayton is to me and to people around him.

I first met Clayton when i was about 18 years old, at a Bunch Brothers auction. He was helping them out and i was also working for them. After working a few sales together, we became friends and Clayton asked if i would help him one day with pallets. I went and helped him and from that day on, i started going and helping him more and more. We became close and he taught me about the pallet business, he taught me about trading equipment, cattle, horses, and how to conduct honest business. Over the years we grew closer and closer. I wouldn't just call him my friend now, i would call him my best friend, and my brother. We are not Blood related be we are brothers.

Over the years that i have known Clayton, i have seen him give so many people chances that most would have never given them. Clayton has a big heart and if someone needs help, then he is willing to help them. I have seen this first hand. Clayton did not know me when we first met, but he took my under his wing and treated me great. He treated me more like family than a worker. I have seen Clayton take people that has been down

on luck, give them a job and help them get back on their feet. Not just a few people, but i have seen this nurmous times. In fact just in the last year there was a guy that had no job, no place to live,and no car. Clayton took him and give him a job, bought him a motorhome to live in and drove him around when he needed to go somewhere.

One thing Clayton has taught me is that no one should ever be made fun of or mistreated. He believes this strongly. Clayton is a good christian man who loves the lord and works hard to do the right thing in all he does.

I want to thank you for reading this letter. I love Clayton just Like he was my blood brother. Thank you again.

Seth Jones

Dear Judge Sullivan,

Hello, my name is Michael Jurglomies and I live in Wingo, Kentucky. I am 35 years old. I am employed by Ingram Barge line as a senior deckhand on the M/V A.J Morris. I am a member of Little Obion Baptist Church.

In 2003 I was still in high school. I was working at a body shop in South Fulton, Tn. Thats where I first met Clayton Mullins . He was partners with my boss at the time they would buy wrecked cars to fix the an resell. Clayton would come by every now an then to check on things and while he was there I would notice he would talk about the Lord alot. At the time I was lost an didnt notice what he was doing , he was Witnessing for God. In 2009 I started attending Little Obion Baptist Church, thats were I got saved. This is when I really got to know Clayton. Clayton is a really big hearted guy and will do anything to help anyone out even those that have put him down. He loves the Lord, the Church an his wife Nancy. He's always trying to help someone out. He plays a great role in the church. We are without a pastor at the moment so he schedule's preachers to come in every sunday. He's also the song leader, treasurer and takes care of the maintenance. He schedules work days for the church members to get together for the big stuff that needs to be done.

In 2013, I had some issues with the body shop I was employed at. When Clayton found out and he offered me a job at his shop until I could find something else. I helped him full time for almost a year until I found something with insurance. After starting my new job I would still help Clayton in the evenings and on weekends. In 2014, I moved from South Fulton, Tn to Dublin, Ky. I rented a house up until 2017. The owner had past away an his son decided to sell it. I told Clayton about my situation and he offered me his old home place rent free as long as I took care of it. Its 2021 an Im still here. I work on the river now started in 2019. Im gone for 14 days an home for 14days. When im home I usally try to make my way out to his shop just to talk. Claytons a really good guy and a good role model. Ive seen him help out several people when he could have just turned the other way. I've seen some really rough people come up wanting a job. Clayton would know that these guys didnt have any experience an would still give them a chance. Theres no telling how much stuff has been messed up or stolen from his shop from him doing this, the guys big hearted an does't like to see people suffer.

Clayton is a God fearing Christian and a great role model for the church an community. Theres stuff Clayton says that will make you mad but if you think about it , its the truth. He's always willing to lend a hand an help anyway possible. Thanks for taking your time to read this Mr. Sullivan.

Sincerely,
Michael Jurglomies

MY NAME IS JIM KIMMEL

I AM ONE OF CLAYTON'S BEST FRIEND.

I HAVE KNOWN CLAYTON FOR 15 YEARS
AND IN THOSE 15 YEARS CLAYTON HAS
ALWAYS BEEN A STRONG CHRISTIAN MAN
HE DOES NOT DRINK OR SMOKE HE ALWAYS
CONDUCTS HIMSELF AS A CHRISTIAN. HE
ALWAYS GOES OUT OF HIS WAY TO HELP OTHER
PEOPLE JUST RECENTLY HE CAME TO ME AND
HELPED ME OPEN A BUSINESS AND CONTINUES
TO HELP ME SO IT WILL SUCCEED.

CLAYTON IS A VERY SMART BUSINESS MAN
AND HAS SEVERAL SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES AND
CLAYTON IS ONE OF THE HARDEST WORKING
PERSON I KNOW HE GREW UP ON A FARM
WORKED HARD HIS HOLE LIFE NOBODY GAVE
HIM ANYTHING HE WORKED FOR IT ALL.

CLAYTON HAS A GREAT REPUTATION IN OUR
SMALL TOWN AND HIS BUSINESS REFLECTS THAT.
I WILL END THIS LETTER WITH A LITTLE STORY
ABOUT CLAYTON THAT HAPPENED IN HIS SHOP
ONE OF HIS EMPLOYEES WAS CAUSING

in the past while working Clayton
told him we do not talk like that
while working here and if you do
not like that you can go home
once again Clayton is a man of
integrity and a true friend I would
stand up for him anytime a friend
like Clayton does not come in to
your life very often

Bob Hunt

My name is Janna Kimmel, I have worked with Clayton's wife Nancy for the past 19 years. During that time my husband Jim and I have become good friends with Clayton and Nancy. I have always known Clayton to be a strong Christian man. I've known Clayton to be kind, helpful and respectful to everyone. Clayton gave my husband a job at Mullins Machinery and he has assisted us with opening a business.

Janna Kimmel

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

I am a long-time friend of Clayton Mullins and am writing this letter to provide the Court with personal, encouragement on his behalf. It is my utmost desire and prayer that I ask Your Honor to respectfully consider my personal and sincere testimony regarding Mr. Mullins character.

My name is Linda LaTourelle King. I am a 68 year old wife, mother, and grandmother of four, currently living in Mayfield, Kentucky. In the autumn of 1994, we relocated to Wingo, Kentucky from California to raise our small family in small town America. At that time, I was a stay-at-home wife and mother who homeschooled my children full-time. In addition, I was a part-time hairstylist for over 30 years.

Within a month of moving to Wingo, Kentucky, which is in the heart of the Bible-belt, I was invited by my next-door neighbor, to attend a ladies Christmas gathering, that Friday evening. The event was held in the fellowship hall, at this small, independent Baptist church down the close to where we lived. That night was the beginning of finding a place to call home—the people I met were so full of southern hospitality and quickly welcomed my little family to come be a part of their church family. Being a part of that church, with Clayton and Nancy and all his family and all the other church members was life-changing for me. I am so thankful for all the memories shared.

Meeting Clayton and Seeing his character:

One of the first families I met were the Mullins family. (A large family, with big hearts... you knew instantly when you met any of them that they were good people.) I soon came to learn that the little church was built by their Daddy, other family members, and local folks.

Clayton and Nancy were active members of the church. He was a hard-worker and self-employed entrepreneur. Over the years I saw the way he was there helping the church, his family and the community. Specific instances I can remember are...

1. Our church was building a new fellowship hall, as our membership was growing and more space was needed. During that time, Clayton was right there in the planning and building, as was my husband and other church men. He provided labor, materials, and encouragement.

2. Clayton was part of helping to make the 175th Church Anniversary a great success. The theme of the celebration was to recreate what life was like back in the days of the founding. He supplied horses, buggies, wagons, hay and I can't remember what else. His attire was authentic pioneer style. I remember he helped with so much that day. It took a lot of planning to recreate history.
3. I remember when Clayton and his cousin built a small and very cool restaurant right down the road from our church. The name he chose was befitting the food, as people from three states would drive from all over and wait in line, every weekend for some good southern BBQ and fixings. "Lip Smackers" was a great success... BECAUSE of the attention to detail given to every aspect, from the wood selection, the decor, the food and the help. You had to be there to see how much love he poured into that place.

Clayton has a passion for doing things the right way... because that's how he was raised. His mama taught him well and it showed in all that he did. I know that Clayton started other businesses and each one flourished—I believe because of his faith and his upbringing, AND he knew that God was watching.

When I heard Clayton's name mentioned on the local news, I was SHOCKED!!! I KNOW this man and know his HEART, his FAITH, his background... they all reflect his CHARACTER... his GOOD character. With NO HESITATION, I began to pray for him because I knew that a picture can tell any number of things... and unless you were there, or you knew Clayton... what you see is NOT how the story goes.

I searched out the video and watched it over and over, of Clayton trying to HELP someone. There was a mob scene there, BUT like I said, I KNOW this man... and he would NEVER NEVER NEVER NEVER do what he is being accused of doing. It is NOT in his character to hurt, but it is in his character to help. And it was clearly evident in the video I saw that is exactly what his intentions were... to help...

Clayton, along with thousands of others were there to be part of something greater than all of us. Collectively, there are millions who stand with him because of their love for our country. Anyone watching the videos from that day and totally see how the gates were so easily and willingly opened by the local police or security. Opened to allow people to just walk freely towards the building... they allowed this to happen and spun the story to fit the negative narrative. I believe that there are so many great American patriots, citizens who want to get America back in the right direction. It's frightening for those who have children and grandchildren, to see how far crazy things have been going. Right is now wrong and wrong is now legal.

Clayton is a man of honor and integrity and a man who loves his family, country and stands on faith. I remember our pastor teaching us over and over "If you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything." It's so blatantly obvious how those who stand for truth and justice and freedom are being persecuted for so much, while those actually perpetrating the hate, the division, the violence... walk free. To group Clayton in with people who had an agenda to disrupt and destroy, it grossly wrong. Without hesitation,

Clayton's sister acknowledged the affirmative when I told her that all those videos showed me was the man I know that loves to help make things good and right.

Clayton was born and raised in small town, rural America, by a family who lived by the morals and values learned by walking in obedience to God's Word. NOTE... You don't go from being a person with a servant's heart to a someone hell-bent on breaking the law or physically hurting someone—at an event that is being played out on the WORLD stage.

Clayton's honest, loving character runs DEEP within him and to know him, is to know that what I am telling you in this letter IS the TRUTH. He is married to a beautiful, loving woman, who also comes from a family with good character. They were there together and this has stressed them to the max. BUT their faith and the love and prayers of our community and those who KNOW them... stand strong... God Wins... ALWAYS and the truth will prevail! Clayton is innocent and his intent was then and always to be a blessing to everyone he knows. I am thankful that for 26 years, knowing Clayton and his family... I KNOW that there are still people that walk the walk of their faith and love for God and country. All you have to do is spend time with them... and you'll know it, too.

This entire mess is a travesty and the effects are fueling fear and those who love our country are wide-awake and watching all of the evil unfold.

Sincerely,

Linda LaTourelle King

6-1-2021

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Sullivan:

I writing on behave of Clayton Mullins. As a friend of Clayton for some 30 yrs, I have know him to be a hard worker, faithful husband, kind in helping people, loves his family, loves the people that works for him. He is faithful to his wife NANCY all these yrs, he has provide a good home. To my knowledge he has never be in trouble with the law, he as be peaceful in his home and community.

I believe he is a honest, hard working, loves he USA and needs to be with his wife + family + church.
Thank-you. Prayces for wisdom.

Thanks Sincerely
Kim McBeth (c)

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THE HONORABLE EMMET G. SULLIVAN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
333 CONSTITUTION AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001

RE: CLAYTON RAY MULLINS, 21-CR-00035-EGS

DEAR JUDGE SULLIVAN:

MID-AMERICA MFG., INC. HAS BEEN A REGISTERED CORPORATION IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI APPROXIMATELY 36 YEARS. WE ARE A MANUFACTURER OF TRAILERS AND SOME FARM EQUIPMENT. WE HAVE DEALERS IN MOST STATES INCLUDING ALASKA, HAWAII AND CANADA.

WE HAVE DONE BUSINESS WITH CLAYTON AND HIS FAMILY SINCE THE 80'S. HE HAS A GREAT BUSINESS AND IS ONE OF THE MOST HONEST AND TRUSTWORTHY PERSON.

WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH HIM. WE DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS THAT WAS INVOLVED IN ON JANUARY 6th. WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT IF ANYONE EVER NEEDED HELP HE WOULD TRY HIS VERY BEST TO HELP THEM ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE. HE HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO BE A TROUBLE MAKER OF ANY SORT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO DOING BUSINESS WITH CLAYTON & CO. AGAIN SOON.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO US WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

SINCERELY,

THOMAS MOCK

Thomas Mock
SANDRA MOCK

Sandra Mock

William D Moore
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May 27, 2021

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001
Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan:

I am writing you today in support of my friend Clayton Mullins. Clayton is one of the few people in my life that I consider a true friend.

As I was preparing my thoughts for this letter, I reflected on Aristotle's philosophy of what he considered the three types of friends that we make during our lifetime. Clayton and I started as accidental friends of utility, business associates and our entire relationship revolved around those transactions. Fortunately, over the next few years we had the opportunity to get to know each other better. Our friendship developed and flourished into an intentional friendship of virtue, the most long lasting and desirable kind of friendship.

In the 20 plus years I've known Clayton his actions have always shown me that he has integrity and compassion for others. Clayton has a deep passion and an outspoken love for God, his family and his country. All of these are virtues that I admire in him, those are the same virtues I aspire to have in my own life.

Please know that when I attest to someone's character, I consider it seriously. Clayton's personal interactions with me and dozens of those around me over the past two decades has shown me that he is a man of integrity and honor that I am proud to call my friend.

Yours truly,

David Moore



To the honorable Judge Sullivan

Your Honor

I am writing you to vouch for the character of Mr. Clayton Mullins

I met Clayton in May of 2020, we met as business acquaintances through the company I work for. In the time I have known him, Clayton has proven himself to be generous, thoughtful, and an honorable businessman. For example, I had entered into a small business venture of my own, reselling a set of retired concrete trucks. The trucks needed several parts to become roadworthy, and I was directed to Clayton to assist in finding them. He was extremely helpful, at that time we were complete strangers, and he offered to give me a part, valued at almost \$700, based simply on my reputation alone. I have found that Clayton is always willing, and ready to assist our business in any way possible, at any time needed. In my lifetime, it has been rare that I have met individuals with that high of a quality of character.

In closing, I ask that you please consider the words of myself, and the many others that I'm sure have written to you. Mr. Mullins has proven himself to be a valuable asset to our community, and to everyone who has the privilege of coming to know him, and I ask that you make your decision with that knowledge.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter to you.

Sincerely

Jake Peeler

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jake Peeler', written in a cursive style.

The Honorable Emmet D. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-CR-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan,

I am Bobby Peat from Paducah, Kentucky. I am a 68-year old business owner and friend of Clayton Mullins.

I met Clayton about six years ago through his business. My family and I started a ready mix concrete business in 2015 and needed trucks and equipment. I went to Clayton for advice as he is very knowledgeable in finding used vehicles in good condition. He purchased five used concrete trucks for us and had them delivered to our plant. He told me he wanted no payment at that time, but wanted us to use our money to be successful and pay at a later date. That date was four years later without any interest! Without his help, we probably would not have made the business what it is today.

The video they show and say is Clayton is not the Clayton I know.

The Clayton I know is warm, personable, honest and trustworthy. He is very patriotic and loves this country and God very much.

Thank you for taking time to read this.

Sincerely,
Bobby Poat

The Honorable Emmet G. Sullivan
United States District Court
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Clayton Ray Mullins, 21-cr-00035-EGS

Dear Judge Sullivan,

Have you ever had someone come into your life that was like family right from the beginning? Someone who was connected to you from a dear friendship. Someone who's love for your friend is as loyal as our flag, the red, white, and blue. Someone who's love is as vast as the Seven Seas. Someone who can make cheerful memories as they sit alongside the kitchen table sharing stories with you as family. I can truly say that someone came into my life decades ago and his name is Clayton Mullins.

First, my name is Teresa Rogers, approaching fifty years of age. I am a Para-Educator of nineteen years providing educational support for students in the rural area of Graves County, Kentucky. I wish to express my heartfelt recollections and insight with you about my friend Clayton. Numerous thoughts are within my memories, but I wish to share with you a few that I feel are of the most significant. Clayton has a true heart and passion for his family, friends, and his community. Let me begin by sharing my connection with Clayton. Clayton attended Wingo School where my dearest friend of more than forty years, Nancy attended. They began a courtship around their middle-school age. Nancy is like no other for she truly has a "heart of gold." She is a devoted friend who cares deeply for her family, friends, and patients. Nancy is the wife of Clayton. They share a life together side by side; where you see one you see the other.

Next, I wish to share the love and care which Clayton exhibits to his family, friends, and his community. Clayton has a deep love and devotion to his family. For example, I recall when Clayton's mother was in her later years of life how he would provide his loyal support and care for her. He would keep up the maintenance on her home, help financially with her debts, and provide meals to her.

Additionally, Clayton also cares for his friends. I reflect on one evening, which my husband and I were dining at a local Italian restaurant. As we were seated, we were greeted by Clayton and Nancy. They were seated close by our table. After enjoying some conversation and our meal we were ready for our guest check. At that moment our server explained that the couple that you had been speaking with had paid for our check. What a blessing to not only have shared wonderful conversation with our dear friends, but to have had our meal paid for by Clayton and Nancy. It really meant so much to us.

Last but not least, I wish to share Clayton's devotion and love for his community, specifically his lifelong church of more than fifty years, Little Obion Baptist Church, nestled in the countryside of Wingo, Kentucky. Clayton serves his church and church family in an array of roles. He acts as the church treasurer, planner of guest speakers, and song leader. He aides in the upkeep and advising of the building and assisting in the pastor's needs. One particular memory of Clayton aiding in such assistance took place several years ago. Clayton offered to provide his own personal property for a parsonage for the then acting pastor.

As you can see, I have had someone that came into my life like family. Someone that has connections from a dear friendship, someone that has a true heart and passion for his family, friends, and community. That someone is my friend Clayton Mullins. I genuinely ask for your kindness and consideration of my heartfelt recollections and insight regarding my friend Clayton Mullins.

Sincerely, Teresa Rogers

Clay Waggon

~~Warren Ar. 71671~~

6-10-21

To Whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of my friend Clayton Mullins. Clayton Mullins and I have been friends for the last 8-10 years. We met at Equipment & truck auctions. In all the years I have known Mr. Mullins he has always been a respectful, kind, loyal friend. Mr. Mullins has never been anything but a polite, responsible person of good character.

It is my sincere hope that this letter is taken into consideration. Despite the current situation, I still believe Clayton Mullins to be a good person with a good heart.

Sincerely,

