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In Reference to: Luke Lints, No. 22-cr-259-TNM

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Dear Honorable Trevor N McFadden,

I own an independent restaurant in Traverse city, Smoke and Porter Public House. I have employed Mr. Luke Lints off and on since October 2019 as a prep and line cook. He prefers to work outside during the summer month and inside during the cold winter months when farm and landscaping work is not available.

This example of Mr. Lints working in and out of jobs, having an inconsistent workflow is a great sign of his rocky background. From what I understand he has had an unfortunate up bringing. Bouncing between divorced mother and father, sometimes homeless, sometimes dealing with changing father figures, lack of schooling. He has not had the mentors and leaderships early in his life to form the discipline needed to be successful according to social norms.

However, through that lack of security I also believe he has developed the desire to give and take care of others basic needs. His desire to grow healthy sustainable food is a prime example of trying to create the necessities for other that he never had. He has given gifts when he has not had the means to provide for himself, which tells me he is numb to his instability. We had conversation about him utilizing some of my acreage for farm production, but as the conversation progressed, I became concerned that the vision he had did not have a business foundation that would make it sustainable. He has a good heart, he cares. He just does not have the discipline to see the long path to achieving his goals.

I believe his part of the insurrection has many examples of his background and character shown throughout the event. Being there with his mother shows her poor judgement and leadership from his main influencer. His desire to protect the other civilian being in his words "attached" by the police shows his protective nature. His emotions getting better of him in the moment with the mob mentality. And then his guilt and remorse for his actions as soon as he realized the situation.

As I consider Mr. Lints upbringing and person struggles, I feel time spent in jail is not the best course to address his growth. I am concerned time spent behind bars would hinder him mor than help him. He needs leadership and mentorship. He needs training on how working within social structures properly will get him what he needs and is looking for. Yes, there will be structure behind bars, but too many choices will made for him. He needs to be in a situation where he has guidance to make the choices necessary for grow so he can own it. He should also have to report to a coach to make him responsible for his growth. To me this seems like a parole situation, therapy, and personal growth training. We should skip the tax money spent on jail and go right to spending our money on the process that will help him and hence the rest of us through him.

Thank you for considering my opinion on Mr. Lints. I appreciate your time in reading my letter, and thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

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