

July 27, 2009

Honorable Judge Tim Fall Department 2 Yolo Superior Court 725 Court St. Woodland, CA 95695

Your Honor,

It is my human duty to offer this personal letter of support of Mr. Ajay Dev.

I have known Mr. Dev for more than 5 years, being acquainted to him through a close mutual friend. I have had several opportunities in which to witness his moral characteristics. Mr. Dev, at each instance in which I encountered him, came across as honest, intelligent, empathic, and possessing much integrity. And, by all accounts, he has been a skillful leader, very hard working and disciplined but also creative and appreciative of the spiritual qualities of life. And he is courageous in support of his convictions and his desire for individual, cultural, and social responsibility. Mr. Dev appears to have consistently displayed these qualities in good times and bad, in difficult situations and now in the face of great personal tragedy, both for his family and friends, and for himself. This is who he is.

My appraisal of Mr. Dev's character is also qualified by my professional experience of 15 years in social service to military veterans and psychiatric patients. During my career, I witnessed the most impaired, psychologically damaged, and socially degraded individuals known to man. I learnt to skillfully determine those who actually are wholesome individuals, who, against all odds, strive to live meaningful and ethical lives and encourage those around them to do the same-these are qualities that Mr. Dev possesses.

To give more authority to my assessment of Mr. Dev, I refer to his legions of friends, many of whom have taken extensive time out of their busy lives to support a man they trust; which they have done, financially, emotionally and with steadfast belief in his innocence. The action of these individuals, in their unwavering commitment, is testament to Mr. Dev's true character.

Your Honor, I sincerely hope that this letter aids you in making a fair and just decision in regards to sentencing Mr. Ajay Dev.

If I may be of any assistance or should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully.