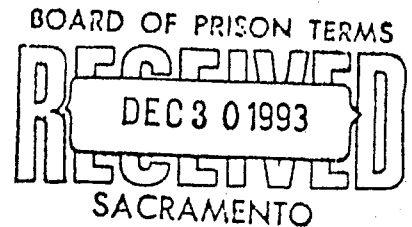


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Board of Prison Terms
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RE: PRISONER, P.F. LAZOR, NUMBER C-73842

Dear Mr. Gillis and Board Members:

This concerns the upcoming parole consideration for P.F. Lazor. As I sign this letter, it is with a clear knowledge that this also speaks for many many other loyal people besides myself.

Having done substantial speaking and writing as a member of society who is known nationally as 'tough on crime' -- with superb American Law -- I also have a deep concern about excessively lenient policies of officials who repeatedly allow freedom to hardened criminals who then prey on society. Such policies have proven to be irresponsible, as opposed to the fair and just 'tough on crime' standards.

However, many of us caring responsible members of this society consider it as irresponsible and horrible when our parole officials delay releasing prisoners who provably should not have received cruel, long or indefinite, sentences, and in certain cases should not have been imprisoned by Law.

My family and I feel that the one extreme is as dangerous and inappropriate as the other.

We are well aware, with dominating proofs, that P.F. Lazor's conviction for 'murder' was obtained by falsification of evidence, distortion and exaggerations at his trial -- taking advantage of his normal trust in our system of Law until his sad imprisonment many years ago.

We are also fully aware, with parallel proofs, that P.F. Lazor shot at a man who was viciously attacking him in his Los Gatos, California home. In other cases of which we are aware, the party defending his home and life are often applauded by our society, with more and more such incidents happening nowadays nationally.

We are also aware, with similar proofs, that P.F. Lazor's defense weapon was Lawfully registered by him with proper authorities; that until the vicious attack he had an exemplary background and with no involvement in criminal acts; and that he had never been part of the criminal element that we do ask parole officials to keep in prison.

We are fully aware too of P.F. Lazor's countless contributions to community needs, to his beloved church, to fundraising drives for the handicapped and other needy causes; and to his providing wholesome entertainment in the performing arts -- as well as his establishing community writers' groups, assisting in the establishment of 'Neighborhood Watch' programs while trying to educate others in defenses against crime, speaking on public radio about this, visiting the elderly and ailing in hospitals, volunteering for emergency rescue work, and other fine social causes.

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Responsible social and official behavior dictates that this is not the kind of individual that the Parole Board should confine in prison, and that ten years has already been more than excessive, in our honest opinions. His cell space can and should be used for criminals who plague streets and are a menace to society.

Having professionally studied P.F. Lazor's files in substantial depth, from trial transcripts to depositions from nearly one hundred of his other friends up to and after that time, I am convinced that he has been an outstanding asset to his community, and should be allowed to be so again now.

It is no surprise that he (as with you) would have a tremendous difficulty confined in prisons; especially aware of the contemptible strategies utilized to obtain his unfortunate conviction, and his natural incompatibility with prison life. Rather than measure this kind of man's prison pressures as troublesome for society, common sense should rule exactly the opposite as being true and realistic now. We would not expect one who is well-adjusted for normal society to fit well into prison life; as opposed to others 'at home' in prisons being repeat offenders when released, and indeed unsuitable for our Law-abiding communities as a rule.

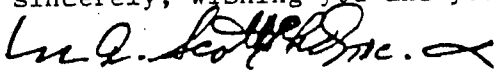
Despite a problematic conviction and imprisonment (for ten years), the countless records that I have studied show and prove that P.F. Lazor has not been problematic to society. While it is true that prison pressures, including his dietary condition since birth added to these, may have strained personal relationships at times; still he has endured. And I have been able to professionally observe these for many years.

With due respect for you and your Board Members, I honestly believe that P.F. Lazor should be released from imprisonment now, before further irresponsible and horrible action is done by otherwise fine officials, please. His highly defensive use of his weapon, to protect his property and life in his own home, would of course have been applauded if it had been in the defense of another helpless victim there.

P.F. Lazor's case proves to be a prime example of occasional judicial error in the courts, and a travesty of justice indeed. As a consequence, we among "the people of California" (the Republic as on its flag) Lawfully plead for you to exercise the authority vested in you. Please release P.F. Lazor back to our communities now.

Thank you. Your timely and favorable consideration of the foregoing, from the society relying upon your responsible representation, will be deeply appreciated.

Most sincerely, wishing you and yours a superb New Year 1994,


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