

September 24, 2007

Honorable Judge Sedwick  
United States District Court  
222 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska  
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Dear Judge Sedwick,

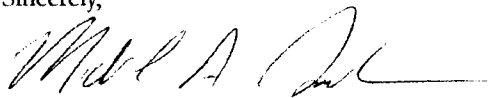
My name is Mike Davidson and I'm the Legislative Liaison for the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association which represents the interests of career Fire Fighters and EMS workers across the state of Alaska. I'm writing today regarding the sentencing of Tom Anderson. I have known Mr. Anderson for approximately 6 years, having initially met him while he was serving in the Alaska State Legislature. During this time Mr. Anderson sponsored or was a co-sponsor of several pieces of legislation important to Alaska's public safety employees.

Mr. Anderson sponsored legislation designed to provide important health care protections to public safety workers in the event of them contracting serious work related illnesses or diseases, this was in addition to legislation that allows for testing of certain individuals involved with assaulting public safety workers for contagious diseases. Mr. Anderson also sponsored legislation clarifying the manner in which DNA evidence could be collected and providing protections for public safety workers involved in this collection. Mr. Anderson sponsored legislation ensuring that Alaskans could receive proactive colorectal screenings via health insurance, allowing for this important cancer detection tool to be available and covered by insurance plans. Mr. Anderson co-sponsored several important pieces of legislation designed to protect Alaskans and Alaskan children, these include bills on endangered children, vulnerable elderly, harassment and stalking, and penalties for aggravated drunken driving.

I often interacted with Mr. Anderson while he served in the Alaska Legislature. In my interactions with Mr. Anderson he always acted in a professional and ethical manner. At no time did I personally observe Mr. Anderson acting in an unethical manner, nor did he ever imply or request that I attempt to unethically influence his opinion regarding an issue.

Mr. Anderson has been convicted of a crime. In sentencing him I believe that the important contributions he made as an elected official should be considered. Mr. Anderson has expressed to me his remorse and I believe that this coupled with his important contributions to the protections of Alaskans, particularly public safety workers in Alaska, warrant consideration during his sentencing.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Davidson

