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Dear Judge Cohn:

I am a covert officer of the Central Intelligence Agency. Accordingly, I submit this letter to you under the pseudonym, CIA Officer 3.

I have known Nada Prouty since 2000 and consider her a close and trusted friend. I first met Nada in connection with her duties as an FBI agent. She was the best FBI agent I had ever met/worked with – incredibly smart, hard working, mission oriented and professional.

Without being ironic, Nada epitomized the great value that first generation immigrants bring to America – she demonstrated devotion to the United States and was driven to succeed. I have worked with a number of first generation immigrants, who seem to naturally be drawn to work for the Federal government, and appear more patriotic than citizens born in the U.S. Nada is quite typical in that regard. I have great admiration for her efforts at the FBI, and often wished that other Special Agents were more like her, bright, flexible and willing to listen to and work with other colleagues in the U.S. Government. She demonstrated the utmost loyalty to the United States, and was the civil servant who Americans picture as the very best.

More importantly and without question, Nada loves her husband, Gordon, and their daughter Eva. She is selfless in her devotion to both of them. She is loving, funny, compassionate and responsible. She is loyal, trustworthy, smart, energetic and kind. Taking her from her family, particularly Eva – for whom she is the primary caregiver – would be a very harsh punishment, not only for Nada, but for Eva and Gordon as well. I have known Nada for about 8 years. In that time, she has been nothing short of wonderful. Clearly there have been errors of judgment, but I am confident that her intentions were never to harm the United States, her country. I would trust Nada with my life, and with the National Security of the U.S. With great respect, I would ask that you consider the entire set of circumstances in this case and be compassionate and fair in your judgment.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

CIA Officer 3