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RE. State of New Mexico vs. Wayne Brent AKA Michael Traverser

Dear Sir:

For the past several months, witnessing at Michael's trial has been weighing heavily on my heart. I have been greatly troubled over it, for something hasn't felt right, like I had a check inside me about it. Recently, I knew I needed a resolution. I needed to know and be clear what my Heavenly Father would have me do. About the time this strongly came on my heart, my Father put it on my heart to fast for ten days. It was during those ten days when He showed me what to do. He told me I was not to witness at Michael's trial, and He told me to write you a letter and request to be excused from witnessing at Michael's trial. I cannot tell you how much of a relief this was for me, and my burden left me. In a way, I felt like a bird let loose from its cage.

Another burden that has been on my heart for about the last month or so has been in regard to having some type of evaluation done on me. I don't know what it is exactly or if you are even still trying to have it done, but I haven't felt right about participating in it. This was also something I felt I needed a resolution in. At the same time, my Father in Heaven told me not to witness at Michael's trial. He also told me not to participate in the evaluation or witness it in, and to also

request to be excused from participating in it. This also was a great relief to me.

So, I now ask and request of you to excuse me from witnessing at Michael's trial and to excuse me from participating in an evaluation for whatever reason. Mr. Benavidez, it's not that I don't want to or that I won't; it's that I can't. It is purely against my conscience and religious beliefs. I can't participate in something I don't agree with and that is against my conscience and religious beliefs. Therefore, I would kindly ask of you, please grant my request, and if you're not the person I should be asking, will you please direct me to that person. Thank you!

There is one more thing on my heart to say. When Michael's attorney, Sarah Montoya, interviewed me with you and Dave Oliphant present, she asked me if when Michael laid his chest on mine, if he touched my breasts or if there was anything in between. I told her yes, and that there was nothing in between us, but inside I felt unsettled because I could not remember Michael touching my breasts ever at anytime. But I thought he must have if he laid on me the way I remembered he did, so I told Ms. Montoya that he did touch my breasts.

I felt troubled inside after the interview though, because I felt like I had said something that wasn't true but I could not remember. I tried to clearly remember what exactly occurred when I was with Michael and if he touched my breasts ever. As I contemplated it, I realized I got two instances where Michael laid his chest on me mixed up. One instance was when Michael and I were both fully clothed, and this is the time I asked him to lay on me, which I thought, when I was talking to Ms. Montoya, was when we were naked but was actually when we were both fully clothed. The other instance was when we actually were naked, and Michael did not fully lay his chest on mine but

laid it below my breasts and laid his head on my sternum. There was nothing between us, but Michael was very careful not to touch my breasts. He did not touch my breasts anywhere where a bra or bikini would have covered. I have carefully considered what occurred, and I am very clear now that Michael never touched my breast at anytime, in any way, EVER.

I just wanted to correct this information I gave you and Ms. Montoya. It has been on my heart to make this known to you for quite some time now, but I have wanted it to be recorded. I am telling you in writing so you know, but I would also like to ask if it could be recorded as well. And if you would please give this information to Ms. Montoya, I would greatly appreciate it. I also want her to know the correct facts of what occurred. I feel it is very important.

I also want to say I am sorry for getting my facts mixed up. Honestly, I would have told you and Ms. Montoya these things in the beginning if I had been clear about them then, but I could not remember for sure. It would have been better if I had said nothing instead of saying something I wasn't even sure about myself. Please forgive me for it. I'm sure this has stirred the waters so to speak, but thank you for understanding. I did learn something though: Don't speak hastily or speak when you're not clear!

Very sincerely,

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