

October 23, 2020

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Honorable Nicholas G. Garaufis
United States District Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Keith Raniere, 18 Cr. 204 (NGG)

Dear Judge Garaufis:

We are writing to make you aware of and present to you relevant and important information in the instant case.

It was recently shown that a key piece of evidence used in the trial (i.e., the hard drive to evidence the underlying overt act of possession of child pornography and sexual exploitation of a minor) was tampered with while in the possession of the government and/or prosecutors. The proof of tampering is supported by four independent forensic experts. The forensic experts demonstrated that the government and their expert witness lied and/or misrepresented the reliability of this key information, and that this evidence should never have been admitted as part of the trial. (See attached Exhibit 1). The reason we are sharing this information is because the child pornography evidence was greatly prejudicial in Keith Raniere's trial and his media coverage. This ultimately resulted in several co-defendants taking plea deals. Ultimately, this charge was used to destroy a great community of people, their reputations, livelihoods and families.

We ask you to consider postponing Keith Raniere's sentencing so the evidence and proof of tampering can be reviewed in more detail to shed light on these crimes, gross misconduct and/or prosecutorial misconduct. We are in a time of strong distrust in the government and legal system. There is a strong call to action, a demand and need for social justice and judicial reform. To proceed with Keith Raniere's sentencing in light of this new evidence would be interpreted by the public, media and citizens everywhere that it does not matter if the government or prosecution cheated, lied or committed crimes to convict a person. This must not be allowed to continue. While the judicial system cannot be changed overnight, the direction of change to improve it can be changed by your choosing to consider this new evidence and ask the government and prosecution why they lied and committed crimes? To ignore such egregious behavior and pretend that this criminal behavior by the prosecution and/or government does not make a difference, would be to condone such behavior and make everyone who is aware complicit in this criminal behavior.

We are a group of concerned citizens who are dedicated to exposing prosecutorial misconduct with the ultimate goal of improving the judicial system. We are sharing this information with you because we strongly believe, as Martin Luther King stated, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." By exposing this egregious example of prosecutorial misconduct, your decision on this matter could have

long-term ramifications throughout the legal system by giving prosecutors and the government officials across the nation notice that such misconduct will not go unnoticed and that it will not be allowed to continue as it currently does.

We respectfully ask you to consider this information and order the government and prosecution to be held accountable and respond. Please do not condone corruption or injustice by allowing the sentencing to continue.

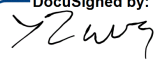
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Respectfully,

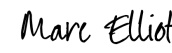
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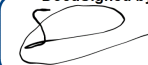
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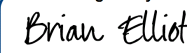
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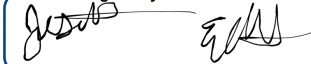
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