

Attachment A

4/13/2016

Dear Honorable Judge:

I am writing you today to respectfully request that you deny the request for bond for Farid A. Mangal before you. I know that your time is valuable and please know that I appreciate you taking a portion of your day to consider what I want to share with you.

In consideration of this request, I ask that you please take some factors into account concerning my family. First, I would like to clearly state that I know that Mr. Mangal continues to pose a real danger to my children and to me. He has stated on numerous occasions that he promised me that I would see my children's dead bodies before me if I ever tried to remove them from his control. I realized some time ago that there are many aspects of his character that I do not fully grasp, but one thing I do know with my whole heart. This is that there is no limit to the damage he would do to my children, me and society in general given the opportunity. He has an angry, vengeful nature that all the love and compassion given him never changed.

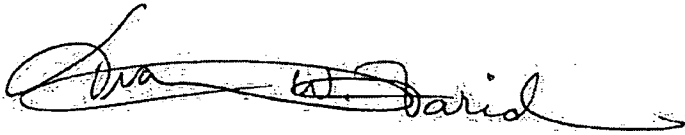
I am sad and ashamed to admit to you that there is not one member of my family that escaped some form of his abuse (sexual, physical and emotional.) As a mother, I still struggle to deal with the fact that I tried so unsuccessfully to protect them from the abuse I knew about while not seeing the more horrible ordeals that were lived daily. I realize that I cannot repair the damage and remove the fears from the past, but I want to ask your help with fostering the present and the future.

Your honor, I still live in fear that he will live up to his threats to destroy my children. Yes, they are all young adults now, but they remain the very heart of my existence. I beg you to please help to keep them safe and allow them to make a life for themselves. Neither you nor I can reclaim the childhood that was brutally and unfairly robbed from them, but you help them have the opportunity to continue to work toward the future they deserve. I plead for the chance for my daughter to be able to start her teaching career and plan for one of the most important days of her life without living in constant fear. Also, I ask that you please give my sons the chance to complete their final semesters of college without being afraid for themselves, their sister and their mother. All of them have really worked hard to deal with the past and to become responsible young adults that given the chance will continue to be such blessings to everyone around them. They make the choice each day to move further from the dark influences of the past and for this I am so thankful. I know that this is only by the grace of God and I just beg you to grace them with the opportunity to continue.

I know that it is your responsibility to uphold justice for all and that you have lots of factors to consider in your decision. I am just asking that you please reflect on my sincere plea in requesting continued safety and justice for my family.

I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. Know that I appreciate so much you allowing me to share my fears, concerns and thoughts with you.

Sincerely-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diann W. Farid". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Diann W. Farid

Attachment B

April 14, 2016

Regarding Bond Hearing of Mr. Farid Mangal

Your Honor,

My name is VICTIM , an elementary school teacher at a local charter school in Spartanburg, South Carolina. I am also the daughter of Mr. Farid Mangal and the victim of the crimes he was charged with in 2007. I am reaching out to you in hopes that you will consider denying his ability to post a bail to be released from prison. For the last nine years I have begun to heal and become a productive, thriving member of society. These accomplishments have been possible because I have not had to live in fear that my life was in danger. I think that if Mr. Mangal is released from prison that I will no longer have that sense of safety that I have become so very grateful for and reliant on.

Mr. Mangal is a dangerous individual who was rightfully charged for the crimes that he committed. I think it is important for you to know that Mr. Mangal threatened my life and the lives of my family members continuously prior to his incarceration. As a child I remember him saying, "If you ever bring dishonor to this family (by disclosing the sexual abuse), I will take you all down." He once told me a story about a family in Afghanistan in which the daughter of the family had sex with someone before she was married which resulted in her father killing her and putting her body in a ditch. I believe he shared this cautionary story as a way to remind me that if I did anything to bring "dishonor" to the family name would result in him killing me. Mr. Mangal would ask me if I loved my mother and when I answered "Yes" he would say, "You would not have a mom if you told her what you have done." I lived in a constant state of fear of when the next time he was going to abuse me. When I was not worrying about the abuse, I was continuously fearful that if someone were to discover the abuse that my life or my family members lives would be in danger.

While Mr. Mangal's character seemed to stay intact throughout our community prior to his incarceration I can provide details of his home life that paint a picture of his true character. Not only was Mr. Mangal a sexual predator, he was also extremely physically and verbally abusive. I think that it is impertinent for you to have a better idea of how enraged Mr. Mangal would easily become and how this anger would result in abuse. My mother, brothers, and I were all on the receiving end of this anger on a regular basis. I can remember a dinner that my father thought was "too salty". This slight mistake resulted in broken dishes, our dinner thrown into the yard, and my mom being hit repeatedly with a belt. Another incident, amongst many, was a time that my brother talked back to Mr. Mangal which resulted in him throwing keys at my brothers face, hitting him multiple times in the head with his hand, and him kicking him in his back all the way to my brother's bedroom. We lived a life of "walking on eggshells," terrified and wondering who would be next to upset him and have to endure the inevitable rage. While I could go on in detail about numerous events that are similar to those I have already shared, I hope the

few that I have disclosed can give you a better idea of what a troubled and dangerous individual Mr. Mangal is.

Your Honor, my family and I have been through so much and have finally began to find and lead a life of normalcy. I am asking that you please consider denying his bond so that we can continue to live lives that are free of abuse, fear, and turmoil. While there are no words to describe the fear I feel of Mr. Mangal being released at this point in time; I have done my very best in writing this painful letter to you. I am asking for your help in keeping him in prison until additional decisions are made in regards to his sentencing. Please help me, my family, and our community maintain a sense of peace and deny Mr. Mangal's request for a bond. I appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

VICTIM