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EXTERNAL EMAIL

Chief Justices and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of Mississippi,

Carly Gregg is Parole eligible, so you say. but the Mississippi Department of Corrections records says otherwise. When is Carly Gregg's Parole eligibility in your determination. 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, 20 years, 40 years, until she dies of natural causes because if the Mississippi Department of Corrections, and the State of Mississippi executive branch has their way it will be until death. Our Judicial system in search of Justice, and holding the guilty accountable for their actions is really in question. It really has me concerned if you, the state of Mississippi, or the country have a clear understanding of not only the justice concept, but fair justice concept.

Justice is about what is fair, correct, right, and just. Something else to be considered is what a crime is and tragedy. In my mind, they are not the same. While they maybe be related in some way, tragedy is totally unexpected while a crime is typically a tragedy to another party for someone else's selfish needs, wants, jealousy, ego, or fear.

Justice is also meant to treat all parties fairly. Everyone follows the same rules; everyone is treated the same. The judge is supposed to be treated as a neutral party, and rule based on what is in the best interest of justice and holding the guilty accountable in a just matter. Paying close attention to Carly Gregg's trial. The prosecution went out of their way to suppress nearly all the testimony, witnesses, and evidence for the defense. The Judge granted nearly all motions in favor of the prosecution. Even admonishing the defense lawyers. Now, I have often seen the defense try to suppress evidence based on a violation of constitutional right's, but never have I seen a case where the prosecution thought it necessary to suppress the evidence the defense wanted to present. Especially since the burden rest on the State.

There is no possible reason that a reasonable jury should have found Carly guilty. Especially since one of the charges was tampering with evidence. Consider that Carly at the time of the incident was on Zoloft and was just placed on another antidepressant Lexapro within days of this tragedy. While awaiting trial in an Adult Detention Center where she spent much of her time in solitary, she was treated by state employed doctors and taken off her medication and given new medication including a mood stabilizer which really helped her symptoms while awaiting trial. She was then found competent to stand trial. The Carly the jury saw on that video was not the same Carly they saw at the defendant's table. I guess you

could say the state tampered with Carly well-being to the prosecutions and states advantage to get a conviction, and suppressing as much witness testimony, and evidence to take any defense Carly lawyers were trying to prove.

If Prosecution thought, it necessary to suppress Carly's defense then all evidence the prosecution had should have been suppressed. The Judge impartiality in Carly's case, I think could have been reasonably in question. Especially when he made the comment, "No matter what happens in this case, it will go to an appeal". Knowing that if the jury acquitted Carly, the case would have been done. That state shows he was biased to the prosecutor, and against the defense since the only way an appeal could happen is if Carly was found guilty.

Another party to consider whether this was a fair trial, and the prosecution abused their authority and power. The victims of any crime have absolute right to be involved in every step of the process, kept informed, maybe what they would consider to be just, correct, and right. Prosecution completely ignored them and offered a 40-year plea deal that they knew Carly, and the family would not accept. Carly actions affected her own family, a family that raised her and knows her. Exactly what does the prosecutor, Attorney General office, or you know about Carly, besides what happened that day. Nothing. This is not a case about Carly firing up a school, taking a friend's life, or killing a family in the neighborhood. This was done by Carly to her own family; it might be advertised as Carly appealing her conviction and sentence, but Carly isn't appealing. Her family is appealing the verdict and sentence because they know this is injustice at the highest level. How is the state of Mississippi funding the prosecution of a 15-year-old girl and the victims of this tragedy using their own resources to fight this case.

Understand, the victims in this case are finding discomfort in your ruling Carly is eligible for parole when the Mississippi department of corrections records say otherwise. They were hoping and continue to hope this court will do the right thing, and rule this was a tragedy, the state of Mississippi violated Carly's and the victims' rights, Carly didn't receive a fair trial and overturn the verdict finding the jury didn't have enough evidence to find Carly guilty, and their guilty verdict was based purely on assumptions and speculations. The victims in this tragedy turn over their video evidence knowing that Carly was innocent, and Carly was not in her right state of mind. If they had known the prosecution were going to misuse and misinterpret it. The victims would have fought tooth and nail to prevent it from handing it over.

I believe the only reason you ruled in favor of the States interests is to prevent Carly family who was affected from this devastating loss was so Carly family couldn't make sure the Rankin County prosecutors and office of Attorney General were not held accountable. Why do they need to be held accountable? What happened to Carly's family that day was a terrible tragedy that has left deep scars on the family that will heal with time, but what the prosecutor and judicial branch did at trial left deep scars, broken hearts, and broken trust in the system that may never heal.

There is a crime in this case, but it wasn't done by Carly, Carly was on dangerous psychotic medication that Carly's doctors didn't appropriately monitor how she was doing. Although in their defense, there really wasn't adequate time since Carly was only on Lexapro for 4-5 days before this tragedy happened. Carly's physicians should have admitted her to a psych ward to monitor her and the medication that was prescribed for at least a month.

The crime in this case occurred 6 months after the tragedy by the prosecution when they intentionally lied to the jury, intentionally ignored the victims right, intentionally suppress Ashley's parents from

testifying because they knew it would hurt their case, intentionally changing Carly medication to make sure she was competent to stand trial, the trial court judge intentionally was biased toward the state, you intentionally are blinded to the facts of the case. Most importantly, the courts, the Attorney General's office, and the trial court prosecuting attorney are intentionally putting a good family through Hell. In order for the victims of this tragedy to be able to move on, the state of Mississippi needs to reverse course. Free Carly, return her to her family, and allow the family to get Carly the necessary help she needs. The last place Carly needs to be is in prison for all the manipulation and lies told by the prosecutors. Ashley would be very disappointed in the state of Mississippi on how they are treating her family and daughter. The problem that I find with our judicial process and system is that judges and prosecutors use the law and the system to their benefit, justifying their actions because of the position they hold which blinds you to the reality of the truth.

Advocate for Justice for Carly and her wonderful family
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