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Governor Christine Gregoire,

I am writing this letter to plead with you to please take the time to read the appeal that is being filed with the Supreme Court asking that I be granted a new and fair trial. I realize that you are a very busy woman, but you need to know the true facts that have led to my being on Washington's death row. I do this in spite of the fact that you, as this state's Attorney General for twelve years and as Washington's Governor over four years, have actively sought the murder of an innocent man, me! Even after surviving the horrors and abuses of existing for over sixteen years on your death row with the threat of my own murder looming all around me every hour of every day, somehow I still believe in the human element of the justice system, when it is allowed to exist!

Please take the time to read my appeal in its entirety. You have not been told the real truth in my case. This appeal is a bit lengthy, but I do not think that I am being unreasonable considering that the alternative for me is that you will be signing off on my legalized murder! For far too long the facts in my case have been hidden from the view of most of this state's citizens. So in trying to equalize the playing field of the appeal process, I am having this appeal and all of my correspondence concerning it posted on an internet site at www.stensoninnocence.com

In my appeal you will read what my appointed lawyers deliberately did to me in deciding not to defend me against false charges and now they even admit to this, that they were following their own religious-inspired agenda that made them my judge and jury instead of my legal advocates, whose true job it was to establish my innocence!

Read about how the prosecuting attorney and Clallam County Sheriff Detective Monte Martin caused vital evidence to be falsified concerning gunpowder residue; how they suborned perjury when then they refused to rehabilitate Mr. Grubbs' testimony when they knew that it was untrue; and then how they did not disclose the existence of pictures showing Det. Martin wearing my pants prior to a gunpowder residue by the F.B.I., which was then positive. They kept the existence of these pictures hidden away in Portland for sixteen years!

You will also read of two different witnesses, both very credible who have come forward in the last six months who tell of confessions of someone else in bragging of setting me up to be convicted of murders that I did not commit. In spite of these credible testimonies, Clallam County and the Attorney General's Office are doing everything possible to discredit these people and protect the conviction rather than searching for the real truth in this matter!

In your own words you have declared that Washington should lead, not follow, that we are a progressive and compassionate state. Governor Gregoire, it is now time that you put your own words into action!

Please read this appeal of mine and then ask yourself if I really received the best of Washington's legal system. Myself and my supporters want to see your progressiveness and your compassion in demanding that I finally receive a new and fair trial instead of demanding my unwarranted legal

murder!

I thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely and respectfully,

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