

January 14, 2002

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Dear Mr. Dray:

We are writing this letter to tell you a little about our son, Sean Casey.

Let us begin by saying that Sean has always been an exceptionally motivated, caring individual whose ideals and goals of high achievement is an important part of his life. He would never even think of doing anything that would deter him from attaining these goals or affect his character in any way.

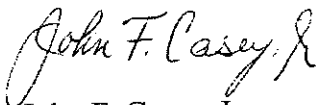
When younger, Sean was never one who had to be encouraged to do his homework or study harder, he just did. The same discipline carries over to this day. To illustrate this point, at the age of fourteen, and all through high school, Sean worked nights and weekends at McDonald's so that he would be able to help pay for his college education. In fact, when he was sixteen years old he was asked to take a Management Course, which he passed, and became the youngest Shift Manager at McDonald's in the Eastern Region. Ultimately, he went on to win a college scholarship from McDonald's, as well as other scholarships from such organizations as the American Legion and the National Elks Foundation. Besides working at McDonald's during high school, Sean volunteered at a school for severely disabled children and also worked as a Spanish translator for Spanish speaking students at a school for developmentally delayed young adults. Even with the heavy school and workload, Sean was able to graduate with High Honors.

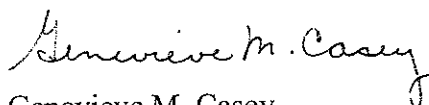
Because of Sean's hard work and determination, Sean was accepted into the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University. While at Georgetown, Sean worked at the Organization of American States (OAS), the State Department and an internship at the American Consulate in Sao Paulo, Brazil. He also continued to work at various jobs when he was home on breaks to continue to help pay for his education. While in his sophomore year, Sean's academic achievement was recognized when he was asked to apply for the highly competitive five-year Masters program. Sean knew that this would mean another year of tuition and the financial burden that would entail. After discussing this with us we convinced him that he should take advantage of this opportunity. He went on to be selected to this coveted program. While in his 5th year at Georgetown, he spent countless hours volunteering his time translating for the many foreign dignitaries who spoke at the University. Because of this, the Dean rewarded Sean by giving him a full scholarship for the 2nd semester of his 5th year.

After graduating Cum Laude in five years with his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees, Sean stayed in Washington and worked at Georgetown on a NASA Project, which he started before graduating. When the Project was completed he moved to Miami Beach and eventually found his current job where his talents and education are being best utilized. He once told us that working to enforce the principles of Freedom of the Press, as he now does, in those countries where this freedom is denied is the reason he has worked so hard all of his life.

Sean has always made us proud for who he is and what he has done with his life. We hope that after reading all of the above, you will know that Sean is a hard working, caring individual who is an asset not only to the Miami-Dade community but to the International community as well.

Sincerely,


John F. Casey, Jr.


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Dear Mr. Dray:

I have known Sean Casey since 1991, when we both entered Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service as freshman undergraduates. We have been best friends ever since and I gladly write this letter to describe our friendship and support his character.

Being Sean Casey's best friend for over ten years, I probably know Sean better than anyone else. He is a bright, friendly, responsible and dedicated person. He is very giving and caring - always being there when friends need him most.

In college, Sean was very dedicated to his studies and a very responsible student. He rarely missed a class and developed great relationships with his professors and peers. Sean always was an over-achiever; graduating top in our class and getting both his undergraduate degree and Master's degree in a record five years. Although Sean was very busy with his class work, he never neglected his friends and participated in many social activities and clubs around campus. Sean was well liked and popular and still keeps in close touch with many of his former classmates.

After college, I stayed in Washington and Sean moved to Miami. Sean's affinity for Latin culture made Miami a nice fit for him professionally and personally. At first I thought that our friendship would grow distant by living in different cities, but as it turned out, Sean and I talk everyday and we visit every couple of months. In fact, we probably are more in touch now than we were in Washington. I have met on many occasions Sean's friends in Miami and can guarantee that they would agree with every word in this letter.

Sean has always been a responsible individual. He never has used drugs, which are highly prevalent in the community; he never has put himself at risk of harm and always protected those around him from getting into trouble. Sean does not like to associate with people that use drugs or who cause harm to themselves or others. He will be the first to criticize people who engage in risky or illegal behavior and who are not taking care of themselves or others. Sean has helped several of our friends living with AIDS through tough times. He has taken the keys away from his friends that he believed had drunk too much to drive. It is definitely fair to say that Sean is one of the most responsible people I know. Furthermore, Sean places his professional career as a top priority and his commitment and dedication to his organization is one of his greatest assets. Some may say that Sean is a bit on the "conservative" side of the community. But, he is persistent in his beliefs and committed to them and that's why I respect him.

Sean has many friends whom I have met and have come to know, and each can describe Sean the same way - smart, successful, caring, compassionate and responsible - an overall great guy. I am fortunate to be his best friend.

Best Regards,



Shane Larson

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Dear Mr. Dray,

I write this letter on behalf of my cousin, Sean Casey. I have known Sean all of my life. We grew up in neighboring towns and our families spent every holiday and special occasion together. We also both studied at Georgetown University. I graduated the year he entered college. As we both grew into adults, I have had the opportunity to witness Sean's hard work and contribution to any community in which he has lived. Overall, I am a very good judge of Sean's character.

I flew to Miami from my home in New York in the days after the tragic accident in March 2001. I spent quite a bit of time alone with Sean trying to help him cope with this terrible situation. He was visibly shaken up and in great emotional pain. The possibility of taking someone's life troubled Sean tremendously. I know from my time with Sean that he is very remorseful about his possible role in the accident. Since the very first moments of discussing what happened, Sean has repeatedly told me that he remembers nothing about the accident. Through the encouragement of our entire family, he tried to put his life back together.

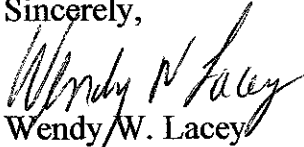
Sean is a very responsible person and did not want his personal crisis to affect the good work he was doing at the Inter American Press Association promoting democracy and free speech in Latin America. Within a week of the accident he was back at work. Sean tried very hard to stay focused, listened to legal advice from his attorneys, and continued to dedicate himself to his professional work.

I have never known Sean to be anything but a hard worker, dedicated to his profession, and without any prior problems with the law. He has always had a genuine desire to make the world a better place, in particular through his work in Latin America. With all of my heart I believe that Sean's experience in the criminal justice system should not result in a loss of ability to be a valuable and contributing member of society. I ask you to take these factors into consideration.

Despite whatever happened on the day of the tragic accident, I am certain that Sean has learned many lessons and that he will continue to make a positive contribution to the world in which he lives. Please give him a chance to bring positive life experiences to others through his work.

If I can be of any further assistance, please contact me at your convenience. I would be glad to meet with you personally if that would be helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendy W. Lacey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Wendy W. Lacey

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