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Re: Monthly case report in the matter of *U.S. v. SSgt Frank D. Wuterich, USMC*

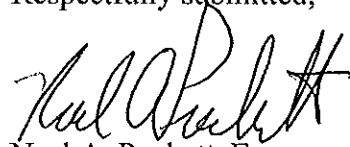
Dear United American Patriots:

1. **Case number and client's full name:** FDW-3221 Frank D. Wuterich
2. **Date of this report:** 01/24/2011
3. **Date of last report:** 11/17/2010
4. **Current status for the case being reported on:** The Wuterich case is currently pending the submission of appellate briefs to the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces (CAAF) for its review of the petition for an extraordinary writ denied by the Navy-Marine Corps Court of Criminal Appeals. The writ asked the NMCCA to find an unauthorized severance of the attorney-client relationship between SSgt Wuterich and his detailed military defense counsel, LtCol Vokey and to abate the proceedings until that relationship is reestablished.
5. **All activities since last monthly report:** As a result of our writ appeal, CAAF reversed the NMCCA denial of the Wuterich petition for an extraordinary writ and ordered NMCCA to direct the government to forward the record of the hearings on the *Hutchins* motion and conduct a thorough review and issue a formal ruling NLT 10 January. Then on 11 Jan, CAAF ordered a schedule for appellate briefs, calling for an additional 35 days of deadlines, which would extend well beyond the previously scheduled trial date of 24 January 2011. The case was thus continued on joint motion between the government and the defense until 11 April 2011.
6. **Statement of activities/events planned for the forthcoming month:** The Wuterich trial team is actively participating in the drafting of the appellate briefs, while continuing to interview and prepare witnesses for trial. CAAF may permit oral arguments for the current appeal, as well, which if granted, will also occur during the month of February.
7. **Statement of all monies received from UAP with the latest receipt highlighted:** The Wuterich defense team has received a total of 11 disbursements of funds totaling \$39,500.00. The latest amount received was \$5,000.00.

8. All monies received from sources other than UAP: With regrets and deepest apologies to the board, we find it impossible assemble a list of all the donations received by the firm since we began representation in March 2006. We have had perhaps over a thousand individual donations over the years coming in the mail and through PayPal on the firm website. Although we have certainly accounted for all the money received and put it to use solely in SSgt Wuterich's defense, as would any firm, we have no reasonable means of recreating and reporting that information. In addition, that information is indeed confidential to SSgt Wuterich. We trust that the importance, complexity and historic nature of this case, as well as the unprecedented number of years it has been litigated, will inspire the board to continue to support the cause of exonerating SSgt Frank Wuterich. We fully understand that this information is normally quite helpful to the board in determining relative financial need among its many petitioners. In that regard, all we can offer is that the attorney and paralegal time expended by this firm has already exceeded one million dollars in billable hours and our total compensation from donations over the years has been roughly 35% of that figure. There have also been tremendous opportunity costs involved. Our representation of Frank has left us with less time to allow us to accept additional clients, who would have generated additional revenue for the firm to meet payroll and other business expenses. With these considerations in mind, we would ask the board to grant an exception to policy and still consider supporting Frank Wuterich despite our inability to comply with this one component of its reporting requirements.

9. Current financial status of the case being reported on: Within the coming 60 days, we will need to reserve and pay rent for a living/working space in Oceanside for 30 days to encompass pretrial and trial work. This will cost approximately \$3500.00. Prepaid airfare and rental car costs for Puckett, Faraj and a paralegal will be approximately \$3000.00 for the trial. Estimated cost for attorney billable hours for Wuterich case during the next 60 days are \$16,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,



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