Colette Nicole Smith - My daughter

Hi Colette – I have not celebrated anything since you were arrested including Cinco de Mayo. I don't sleep well at night and I am angry and frustrated all the time! I will respond to your letter dated 5-4-15 below.

Mr. Rab was in court but was not able to argue against extension asked by Prosecuting attorney. The judge always allows extensions of time by prosecution attorneys. The judge also was removed and a new judge appointed to hear all Daffohills cases. There was no lack of communication just your anger. If you were to behave in jail and not create any problems for jailors or jail doctors maybe these extensions would not be granted. The jailors, jail doctors, prosecuting attorneys are all in the same legal fraternity and look after their own. Please try to understand and change your behavior!

I am very disappointed with your bad behavior, outbursts and lack of respect - for the jailors, the judges, the legal system of India and of course all the attorneys that I spent a great deal of time and money putting in place.

The law firm of Rab & Rab came highly recommended by other attorneys, judges, and the exhaustive. They specialize in criminal cases in Dehradun and the senior Mr. Rab has been practicing law in Dehradun for over 30 years and is well respected by all his colleagues and the judges in Dehradun, plus he has years of valuable contacts. Even Mr. Saxena recommended Rab & Rab and is working with their law firm strategizing and recommending a course of legal action. All the attorneys - have all agreed that your case has to go forth with - 1. Getting bail for you 2. Then proceed with the criminal trial. You are the key to having this case take 6 months or 2 years. All the attorneys agree that if you are granted bail first, then the NCB case will fall apart and the case against you will be dismissed in 3-6 months after you are granted bail. I trust the law firm of Rab & Rab Chawla and other people are probably bribing NCB and other officials including prosecuting attorneys to drag out a trial and creating other problems!

All the delays in this case and extensions of time have been created by your bad behavior not me or your attorneys. Trust me! The jailors that you are creating problems with have informed the prosecution who in turn informed the judges who in turn readily give out extensions.

Do not discuss strategies of your case with Mr. Reddy – there is an old saying "keep your friends close and your enemies closer". Mr. Reddy is possibly dishonest and in partnership with IPS Chawla or Parul. Reddy could easily throw you to the wolves like Salunke did.

Ashok and Seema are retained for your help in communicating and providing food, toiletries, clothes, books, letters, etc. between us. They are not attorneys and do not discuss case with them unless I instruct you too. Be careful with everything you say and do so that it is not used against you in court.

Rab & Rab is very competent. I have provided you with history of Rab & Rab and Mr. Saxena is the senior legal counsel for Reliance in India – the largest company in India, a very competent and respected attorney.

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You would have received all your belongings if you had not misbehaved with jailors, doctors, prosecutors and judges. Rab & Rab is in the process of acquiring your belongings.

You have lawyers now with Rab & Rab and Mr. Saxena, that will stand up for you and they have read over 1700 pages of documentation regarding your case. I have also provided to the attorneys your answers to the 23 page NCB claim and arrest. Trust these attorneys – be respectful and humble to everyone and follow their instructions. I want you free and home in the US.

I have decided with the recommendations and our trust of Rab & Rab and Saxena to pursue a very specific course of legal action for your benefit. They have read all your answers to the criminal complaint and are using your thoughts and ideas for your defense. After all this time since your arrest I believe I have the very best legal team retained and in place for you. Do you honestly believe that Colette Smith – female, beautiful, intelligent and drama queen can represent herself in India in this legal matter?

Colette – my daughter, try to remember the past 2 years and the 2 dozen conversations with me regarding not going back to India because of all these Daffohills problems. I begged you in August when you stayed with me in Albuquerque not to return to India. You ignored all of my pleadings with you. Do you remember how many times I wanted you to call or go see the US Embassy or the US State Dept. and explain the Daffohills fiasco? Do you remember how I told you several times to meet with the police in India and the NCB investigators and give your statement and not hide from the authorities? Everything I asked of you over the last 2 years was ignored by you. Even in the last 4 months you have totally ignored my letters and all my suggestions. You are making terrible decisions for yourself.

Give me your complete trust and follow all my instructions and all my decisions, including the attorneys and the legal strategy of Rab & Rab and Mr. Saxena

Colette I love you with all my heart and always will, but I will not participate or play a role in your self-destructive behavior and bad decisions. I will not play a part in watching you go to prison for 10 - 20 years because of your bad behavior and terrible decisions. Even the attorneys that have been retained in the past have stated that you are your own worst enemy.

Love you Colette - Dad