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To the Judge and U.S. Attorney in the Case of Cedric Dean:

I support a sentence reduction for Cedric Dean who is currently in the Federal prison system.

I have known Cedric Dean all of his life. He is a very intelligent young man who is a member of a loving and supportive family. Yet in his early life, he made several serious mistakes. I know how hard he has worked to rehabilitate himself to become a productive member of society – that is why he has pursued significant education challenges and written five books.

He is my sister's grandchild; therefore, I have spent much time with the family. Having served over 31 years in the Army, I have had the opportunity to work with young men with problems and in need of help. Therefore, it is with a great deal of confidence that I say Cedric has rehabilitated himself and deserves to be released from the Federal prison system. He will prove through his actions, after releasing him, that this is the right decision.

I am convinced that Cedric has made significant strides to be a better person by helping others in a positive manner. He has also shown considerable maturity, growth and is focused. He would like to use his efforts to work with and save at risk youth in communities across America.

The Fair Sentencing Act of 2010 offers an opportunity for Cedric to move forward with his life in a positive manner.

In conclusion, I support a sentence reduction for Cedric Dean and request your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

Arthur T. Dean  
Major General, U.S. Army, Retired  
Chairman and CEO