

From: schroeder susan  
Subject: Guardado  
To: "Tim Morgan"  
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Dear Tim:

The Orange County District Attorney wrote to you last month giving you an extensive background on the People v. Paul Guardado case. Inexplicably, he is being considered for again parole on September 25. As the District Attorney requested before, I am requesting you to withdraw your letter in support of murderer Paul Guardado. Although I am confident that you are familiar with the matter, I have enclosed:

1. Your letter in support of an unrepentant gang murderer;
2. Orange County District Attorney Tony Rackauckas' letter asking you to withdraw your support of Guardado;
3. Republican National Committee (RNC) Chair's letter confirming you had no authority use RNC letterhead;
4. The Los Angeles Times article where it states that you were contacted to explain your actions and you refused to explain your actions;
5. My timely submitted resolution to the California Republican Party.

Mr. Guardado's parole was denied by the parole board on August 12, 2008, where the Board found that Mr. Guardado was not suitable for parole. Possibly due to his political connections, he was granted another parole hearing on September 25, 2008.

Since you now have the full facts, I am asking you to contact the Board of Prison terms to withdraw your plea advocating for Guardado's parole and to pledge not to use your former CRP and RNC titles to call for the release of any other murders. If you do so, I would be happy to withdraw my resolution.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Susan Kang Schroeder

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Whereas, on Feb. 24, 1979, gang member Paul Guardado and his gang friends planned a thrill killing, brutally pummeled an innocent 24-year-old man named Steven Buus who was walking through a park near his home, then forced Steven to beg futilely for mercy, then brutally shooting and murdering Steven.

Whereas, after personally pulling the trigger, Guardado ran, leaving Steven lying in a pool of his own blood, remaining free for almost a decade and refusing to take responsibility for his crime, being convicted as a result of a witness coming forward to the police.

Whereas, two juries, two state trial judges, a federal judge, and two appeals courts (both state and federal) have held that Guardado murdered Steven and personally used a firearm in the commission of that murder.

Whereas, to this day, Guardado refuses to accept responsibility for the murder and continues to maintain that he was “victimized” by a system who convicted the wrong man, a man who happened to be at the wrong place at the wrong time, despite the overwhelming evidence to the contrary.

Whereas, on April 18, 2005, Mr. Morgan wrote a letter to Governor Schwarzenegger, requesting the Governor to release this gang murderer to roam among our community, including giving Guardado the chance to finish off his prior victim’s family who has steadfastly opposed his release over the years.

Whereas, Mr. Morgan wrote in the letter that the “restoration in civil society” includes the release of one of the most vile thrill killers in California and releasing this blood thirsty, unrepentant gang executioner would be “important to make ( California ) a better State.”

Whereas, the Republican Party has always stood for tough criminal sanctions for violent crimes and rights of victims and has guarded public safety.

Whereas, the California Board of Prison terms who knows inmate Guardado the best has rightfully rejected his release six times, including finding that Guardado is not believable, lacks insight, has no remorse for the victim, is out of touch, needs therapy, and is dangerous.

Whereas, the California Board of Prison terms specifically admonished the inmate for sending the victim’s mother, who to this day cannot sleep without the lights on suffering from depression, insomnia and anxiety, flowers, which is at best an insensitive manipulation discounting Steven’s life to a bunch of posies, or more ominously, a threat that Guardado knows where she lives and will get to her if she continues to oppose the parole.

Whereas, at the time Mr. Morgan wrote this letter, he did nothing to get the facts which were readily available through public records.

Whereas, yet, Mr. Morgan wrote this letter on Republican National Committee letterhead and signed it:

"Timothy J. Morgan  
Republican National Committeeman from California "

thereby sending the letter on behalf of all Republicans, from California and the other 49 States.

Whereas, neither the California Republican Party nor the Republican National Committee voted to endorse a request for parole of this vicious murderer.

Whereas, Republican National Committee Chairman Robert M. Duncan stated that: "The Republican National Committee ("RNC") did not authorize, and does not support Mr. Morgan's request. Neither I nor the RNC exercise any influence over, or are in any way involved in, any process related to decisions concerning parole, or any other forms of clemency in California ... Use of RNC stationery and title in making this request were not authorized by the RNC."

Whereas, this act brings embarrassment to the Republican Party, disheartens the family of the victim and creates doubt in the mind of the public that Republicans really stand for punishment of unremorseful murderers.

Whereas, even when confronted with detailed true facts of the case, Mr. Morgan did nothing to contact the California Board of Prison terms to urge them to keep Guardado in prison.

Whereas, even when contacted by three members of the media, Mr. Morgan refused to explain his letter or to mitigate the damage that was caused by his letter to public safety.

Therefore, The California Republican Party in convention in Anaheim, California on Sep. 28, 2008, demand that Mr. Tim Morgan do the following:

1. Apologize to the Republican National Committee for his misuse of its letterhead;
2. Send a letter to the family of the victim through the Orange County District Attorney;
3. Apologize to the California Republican Party;
4. Make his letters of apology public so the media can report this was his views and not those of the California Republican Party or the Republican National Party;
5. Pledges to never use his title as a former Republican National Committeeman to call for the release of any other convicted murders.