## Judicial Committee,

The drive for me to appear before you takes almost 5 hours round trip and you allow me only two minutes of your time to instill upon you the seriousness of what has transpired within your state judicial system. I'd like to elaborate on my two-minute oral testimony here.

As the crimes committed against the unsuspecting citizens of your state become more frequent, more violent and deadly, the laws on your books and the consequences do not align with the crimes being committed. Your judges and States Attorneys are not upholding the antiquated laws that do exist. Your Health Department thinks they can rehabilitate someone who slaughtered three innocent, unarmed, working men while they took a break at work.

The inhumane being that took my husbands life, planned and executed the premeditated murder. As documented in the police reports that I have attached to this file, he knew exactly what he was doing throughout the weeks and minutes that led up to and followed this heinous act. He had photos of my husbands truck, there was evidence that he talked about him on the dark websites, he took guns to work, he waited until his friend Manny left the shop floor as he knew Manny was leaving early that day for an appointment, he went to his car and retrieved his gun(s) and put on music titled "Pull the Trigger," and he moved the money in his bank account to his sister. On his way out, he came face to face with Hunter and he CHOSE not to shoot him. Prior to the killings he questioned an employee asking if the "Country Boys" were part of the KKK. He had a dislike for country boys and the three men he killed were the poster boys of that stereo-type. Mark, CJ,Josh, and Brandon were outdoorsman, responsible gun owners, family men, fathers, and husbands.

The killer had a history of gun violence and mental issues that went without consequence. During his time at Spring Mills Highschool in West Virginia, he threatened to shoot up the school. For that he was only suspended. He landed at Columbia Machine through a temp agency called Express Employment who knew he had been a problem for other employers where he was placed but they kept placing him. Columbia Machine management was aware of issues because my husband was the boys supervisor and he reported issues to the General Manager. Yet, there were no consequences.

After laying my dear husband to rest, I never dreamed of what was ahead for me. I never thought that the kid wouldn't go to jail or that I'd ever have to worry that he would be free. The Washington County Sheriff's Office assured us that they had more than enough evidence that he would never see the light of day. However, that was not true. In November

2022, smug Christopher McCormick informed us that the public defender had filed the NCR but basically they didn't think it would stick. In April 2023, we learned differently. We were informed that a doctor thought that during the split second that the boy pulled the trigger he didn't understand the consequence of his actions. Never mind all the evidence of premeditation. Never mind any other aspects of the killings. McCormick and his side-kick Christine Remsburg informed us that there was nothing else that could be done. McCormick told us if we didn't like to reach out to lawmakers.

I've learned since that NCR is supposed to be decided by a jury and that most all cases that plea NCR fail because the burden of proof falls on the defendant and its rarely successful.

Our case was never heard by a jury. The state didn't file any objections, opposition, appeals or any other available action to fight for us or protect our rights. They didn't do anything for us. Now we are the ones who suffer for the rest of our lives while the state protects the civil rights of a violent killer. Where is the justice in that?

To the State of Maryland, the civil rights of a violent murderer are more valuable than the lives of three wonderful men who were slaughtered while doing an honest days work.

Senator Corderman seems to be the only person who cares and this may be my last chance to get you to do the right thing and give my husbands death some kind of meaning so that others don't have to suffer the way that our families have at your hand.

Forever in Mourning,

Mrs. Mark Frey