

Att: Honorable Thomas Coffin

Dear Sir.

I am writing you this letter pertaining to the sentencing of Janine Lindemulder/James on December 29th 2008. I am the father and provider of Sunny Lee James (age 5). I am happily married to my wife of 3 ½ years Sandra Bullock. I have 2 children from a previous marriage, a girl Chandler (age 14) and a son Jesse Jr. (age 11) that I share custody with. All three children attend private school in Orange County California. I own several businesses' that include West Coast Choppers in Long Beach California. I have been self-employed for the last 16 years.

Everything I do and work hard for is to secure my children's future. I want them to have every opportunity possible including the best education, and a stable and loving home life.

For a brief time in 2003/2004 I was married to Janine Lindemulder. The marriage was not great experience. It was filled with violence and culminated with assault on me by Janine. Janine's problems with the IRS became very clear prior to our marriage in 2003. A prenuptial agreement had to be crafted by my lawyers to keep her preexisting IRS liens and levees from attaching to my bank accounts. Upon our divorce in 2005 Janine asked for \$182,000 to "Pay her taxes". I agreed and wrote her a check. She cashed the check and No money went towards her tax dept. Over the last several years I have pleaded with Janine to become gainfully employed, and start chipping away at her tax dept. My suggestions have always been met with discontent.

During this trial process Janine has not done one thing to prepare our Daughter Sunny for her pending jail time. She has not notified myself or my wife that there is a possibility she is going to be incarcerated for a significant amount of time. She has made no inquiries to make sure Sunny will be looked after for the duration of her stay in prison. The fact is Sunny will be taken care of. My wife and myself have taken the lead in making sure Sunny is enrolled and attends pre-school on a daily basis. We have made every arrangement possible to minimize the effects this will have on Sunny. We have spoken a child psychologist to help with things. We have adjusted our work schedules so we can take care of her full time. We have also accepted the reality that we will have to travel with Sunny to whatever prison Janine is placed, so Sunny can stay in contact with her mother.

In closing I believe Janine should not be shown any leniency in her sentence. She has been given every opportunity to take care of her problems, including \$182,000 to pay her debt. She has chosen to use money to support her lifestyle of drugs and living outside her means. I strongly believe some time in jail will show Janine that there are

consequences to her actions. It will also teach her that being a "Parent" means making sacrifices for the sake of your child's future.

**Thank You
Jesse James**