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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Danny Locke and at present, I am an inmate at the NH State Prison. I understand that hearings have been scheduled throughout the state to gather information on NH citizens perspective toward the NH State Court System. Because incarcerated and obviously partial, I offer a letter to address my experience and to extend my criminal case (#96-51366 at Superior Court level and #97-156 at Supreme Court level) as a unique and, for me, costly example as to where the NH Court System may have fallen short in the administration of justice.

I was arrested on July 2nd, 1996. Initially, my trial was scheduled for February of 1997. The trial judge made several favorable rulings for me and because these rulings severely weakened the state's case against me, the state appealed. The NH Supreme Court expended 3 1/2 years before a decision was rendered in a routine interlocutory appeal.

In all, I was confined as a pre-trial inmate without bail for 55 months - that is nearly six years publicly accused and confronted by no accusers. My case is publicly accessible and I welcome any research that may benefit your purpose.

Respectfully,

Danny Locke