

Dear Jeffrey,

I wanted you to know with certainty, that many things said in the press about you that were attributed to me were either a total malicious fabrication, or an outrageous exaggeration.

I am aware that many years ago you plead guilty to prostitution related charges. There was never any claim of pedophilia, by the authorities, myself, or anyone without thinly veiled motivations.

Though I do not in any way condone what you have done, the press sensationalized characterization of you as a pedophile has been grossly unfair.

You have been a loyal friend of my family for many years. You stood steadfast when my mother passed and comforted me through many of my own travails.

We, your friends, that know the real you, have not forgotten that for decades you have contributed both your extraordinary intellect, and substantial wealth to benefit those less fortunate than yourself.

You have paid a heavy price for your mistakes and have asked for forgiveness from your friends, family and associates. It would be very wrong of me to withhold that same forgiveness that I myself, have unfortunately, had to seek on more than one occasion.