June 12, 2009

The Honorable Mary A. McLaughlin United States District Court For the Eastern District of Pennsylvania U.S. Courthouse 601 Market Street, Room #13614 Philadelphia, PA 19106-1723

Dear Judge McLaughlin,

I have known Andrew Mogilyansky since 1987 when we lived in St.-Petersburg, Russia. I was impressed by Andrew at first sight. He was extremely talented – a brilliant mathematician with an endless source of energy, he was capable of comprehending any science. However, even more I was amazed by the infinite compassion he has towards people and humanity in general.

I kindly ask you to take into consideration all his accomplishments and his help to so many people. I have always known Andrew as a great person. Today, I am not in the position of either judging or defending Andrew. I just want to ask for your compassion, as Andrew, himself, was compassionate to so many people and by his deeds made a difference in so many people's lives.

Thank you very much for your time and kind attention!

Respectfully,

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