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From: Congressman Randy "Duke" Cunningham Atlas Mark Olson Date: October 21, 2004  
Subject: Congressional Inquiry for constituent Frank Grangetto

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am respectfully requesting your assistance on behalf of my constituent, Mr. Frank Grangetto. According to Mr. Grangetto, he would like guidance from the Department of Justice on how to be granted a presidential pardon.

Mr. Grangetto was convicted of two drug offenses in 1988 in California. After serving his sentence and three years of supervised release he contends he has continued to strive for growth in all areas of his life. Recently though, these offenses came up in a background check when he attempted to work as a volunteer at his daughter's preschool. He feels he has been a positive member of society since this ordeal and would like DOJ assistance to find out the steps he needs to take to be reviewed for a presidential pardon. Please refer to the letter Mr. Grangetto has sent to my office as part of my inquiry.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration into this matter. Please contact Mark Olson in my Escondido office as to your findings.

Sincerely,

*Randy "Duke" Cunningham*  
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Dear Duke Cunningham,

Recently I had an experience of meeting with the parks and recreation department of Carlsbad to discuss some things that had come up on my background check. I was trying to volunteer at my two and a half year olds daughters' preschool and my past came up as an issue. After meeting with the Gail (the director of parks and recreation) she agreed to allow me to accompany my daughter to preschool.

Duke, now that I have a family, I do not want to have to keep reliving my past. I am writing you to request help getting a presidential pardon. I was convicted of 2 drug offenses in 1988. Both of these crimes were committed in 1987. I did plead guilty because I was guilty. I served my time that I was sentenced to and completed the 3 years supervised release, all without incident. I took the opportunity to better myself those 3 years and I continue to strive for growth in all areas of my life. I have completed a lot of personal work and have been an active member of Alcoholics Anonymous for 13+ years. I continue to help others and volunteer at the county jail each month to help others find a way out, if they want it.

I went through quite an ordeal to get my real estate license in 1991. Finally after appearing before a magistrate in Los Angeles in 1993 it was ordered I be given a restricted license. A few years after, I was issued an unrestricted license. Last year I had to revisit my past when I passed my brokers test and was finally issued a real estate brokers license. I have been working in real estate sale for 11 years and I have a good reputation among other Realtors and do most of my business by referral from clients.

I have been a San Diego resident since 1973 and my extended family has been here since the 1800's. I have strong ties to my family, the community.

Duke I am a long way from the mistakes I made in my early twenties and any help you could give me in putting my past behind me would be appreciated. I would let others know that you have helped me and you will always have my vote!

Sincerely,

Frank Grangotto



U. S. Department of Justice

Pardon Attorney

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The Honorable Randy (Duke) Cunningham  
Member, U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Congressman Cunningham:

This is in response to your communication to the Department of Justice of October 21, 2004, enclosing a letter from your constituent, Mr. Frank Grangetto, who requests a pardon for two drug offenses of which he was convicted in 1988. Records available to us from the Federal Bureau of Prisons indicate that a Mr. Frank Grangetto, who was convicted under the name of Frank Marion Nelson, was released from confinement on July 3, 1990 and returned to San Ysidro, California. If we are correct that this is the same Frank Grangetto who has contacted you, he is eligible to apply for a pardon.

We are enclosing a pardon application. The form may be photocopied, and may also be found on our website, [www.usdoj.gov/pardon](http://www.usdoj.gov/pardon). It should be carefully and fully completed in accordance with the "Rules Governing Petitions for Executive Clemency" and the "Information and Instructions on Pardons," copies of which are included with the application form and may also be found on our website. The completed form should be returned to this office for processing and need not be filed in duplicate.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Adams  
Pardon Attorney

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