

REPORT NO. PCAR552S

ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
 EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY - COMMUTATION
 ELIGIBILITY

To: Judge Brad Karren
 Unknown
 Bentonville, Arkansas 72712

Re: Joseph T Hutchens ADC# 138022B Location: Wrightsville Unit

Board Hearing: 08/03/2019

TE Date: 11/07/2020

The Arkansas Board of Parole requests your recommendation on the above-named inmate/offender who is scheduled to be considered for: Executive Clemency - Commutation Eligibility.

Current Convictions:

COUNTY	DOCKET	CRIME	COUNTS	SENTENCE DATE
Benton	2010-1147	Dist/Poss/View Sex Explicit	1	05/31/2012
		Habitual Offender		
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		Habitual Offender		
Benton	2010-1147	Dist/Poss/View Sex Explicit	1	05/31/2012
		Habitual Offender		
Benton	2005-1364	Dist/Poss/View Sex Explicit	1	05/31/2012
		Probation Revocation		

Total Sentence Length:	56y 0m 0d
Minimum Release Date:	08/16/2066
Disciplinary Status:	
Inmate Class:	C3
Inmate in Administrative Segregation:	NO

Programming While Incarcerated:

Program	Award Date	Award Loc	Verified	Score
CABBI Associate Degree	05/26/2015	Ouachita River Correctional Unit	12/18/2014	
Pathway To Freedom	09/16/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males	09/19/2016	PASS
Thinking Errors Group	09/16/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males		
Anger Management	09/21/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males		
Domestic Violence	09/21/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males		
Parenting	09/21/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males		

Substance Abuse Educ Prog	09/21/2016	Wrightsville Hawkins for Males		
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Prior Convictions:

COUNTY	DOCKET	CRIME	COUNTS	SENTENCE DATE
Benton	2005-1364	Dist/Poss/View Sex Explicit	1	01/10/2007

Major Disciplinaries:

Incident Date	Court Date Charged By	Rule	Description	Verdict	Disposition
None					

This individual is scheduled to appear before the board for consideration of Executive Clemency - Commutation Eligibility in the near future. The Parole Board is requesting your comments which will be placed in the inmate/offender's file and considered when reviewing for action/recommendation. If the Parole Board action on this case is deferred, an additional recommendation will be requested at a future date.

<p>Reply to: acc.legal.notices@arkansas.gov OR Institutional Release Services 2801 South Olive Street Suite 6-D Pine Bluff, AR 71603 Phone: 1-870-543-1035 Fax: 1-870-879-6725</p>	<p>Response: <i>This Court has no objection to Joseph Hutchens' Commutation (time cut) eligibility. However, this Court does object to the consideration of Executive Clemency for Joseph Hutchens.</i></p> <p>(Signed) <i>Brad Han</i> <i>Brad Han, Circuit Judge</i> Date: <i>10-1-18</i></p>
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Commutation (time cut) Application

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Name JOE T. HUTCHENS

Date of Birth 03/25/1946

Address P.O. Box 1000

Race W Sex M

City WRIGHTSVILLE

ADC# 138022

State AR Zip 72183-1000

SS# 

Home Phone # N/A

Cell phone # N/A

Person preparing the application if other than yourself:

Name: N/A

Address N/A

Telephone numbers (home): N/A (work): N/A

Is the person preparing the application an attorney? Yes ___ No AR bar # _____

Reason for Requesting a Commutation (time cut)

1. ___ I wish to correct an injustice which may have occurred during the trial. I have attached letters or other documentation that will support this claim. (If you wish to attach explanations or statements to this application, it will be considered as a part of the application.)
2. ___ I have a life-threatening medical condition which does not qualify for Act 290. I have attached a statement explaining my condition. (You must provide a medical information release in order for the Board to view your medical records.)
3. ___ I want to adjust what may be considered an excessive sentence.
4. My institutional adjustment has been exemplary and the ends of justice have been achieved.

All supporting documentation must be available when the Board considers your application.

1. You must list below, ALL CRIMES WHICH YOU WANT COMMUTED (time cut).

Crime	County of conviction	Date	Court Docket number	Sentence	Date of discharge
DIST/POSS/VIEW SEXUAL EXPL. HABITUAL OFF.	BENTON	07/2012	CR-2010-1149	240 MOS.	08/16/2066
DIST/POSS/VIEW SEXUAL EXPL. HABITUAL OFF.	BENTON	07/2012	CR-2010-1147	240 MOS.	08/16/2066
DIST/POSS/VIEW SEXUAL EXPL. HABITUAL OFF.	BENTON	07/2012	CR-2010-1147	192 MOS.	08/16/2066
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2. Were there victims in your crimes? YES _____ NO If so, how many? _____
 If yes, answer the following questions:

Did you know the victim? YES N/A NO N/A

a. If yes, what was the relationship? N/A

b. Was the victim injured? N/A

c. Age of the victim N/A

d. Was the victim a law enforcement or public official? N/A

3. Were other persons involved in the crimes listed above? Yes _____ No
 if yes, list the names of your accomplices and what, if any, sentences they received.

Name	Sentence
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A

4. Concerning the facts of the crimes, **briefly** explain what happened in each case. _____

I WAS ARRESTED IN 2005 AND PLEAD GUILTY IN 2007 FOR VIEWING SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL OF UNDER AGE GIRLS. IN 2010 I WAS ARRESTED FOR SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL FOUND ON A COMPUTER AT MY RESIDENCE. I PLEAD NO CONTEST ON THE ADVICE OF MY ATTORNEY TO THESE CHARGES IN 2012.

5. Explain why you think the Governor should grant you a commutation (time cut). _____

SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION

6. Describe what you have done to demonstrate your rehabilitation. (Community programs, volunteer work, furthering education, speaking engagements, mentoring to others, etc.) _____

I HAVE COMPLETED OVER (4) FOURS YEARS OF THERAPY. THIS INCLUDES 2 YEARS AT THE N.W. AR RELATION REHAB CENTER, 2 YRS. AT THE MT. HOPE THERAPY CENTER AT FAYETTEVILLE, 1 YR AT R.S.V.P @THE DUACHITA RIVER UNIT, AS WELL AS 1 1/2 YRS. 18 MOS. AT PATHWAY TO FREEDOM AT WRIGHTSVILLE. I GRADUATED FROM THE CENTRAL ARKANSAS BAPTIST BIBLE (C.A.B.B.I.) AT MALVERN AND WILL GRADUATE THE P.A.L. PROGRAM AT THIS UNIT ON JULY 10, 2018.

7. Are you a SEX OFFENDER that is currently required to register by law? Yes No _____

If your answer is yes, answer the following questions.

Has your registration been kept current since being required? YES

If no, explain why not NA INCARCERATED

You must submit your most recent sex offender risk assessment with this application. (This may be obtained from your local sheriff's office.)

In January of 2007, I plead guilty to nine (9) counts of viewing child pornography in Benton County Circuit Court, Division I. I was sentenced to five (5) years on each count and released on my own recognizance until April 18, 2007, at which time I was sent to Pine Bluff. After ten (10) months there, I was released on parole on February 19, 2008. I went to my home at 128 Leicester Drive, Bella Vista, Arkansas.

The following day I met with my assigned parole officer, Mike Markum. Mr. Markum and I knew each other from my job as bailiff for Judge David Clinger, Division II of Benton County Circuit Court. Although Judge Clinger allowed law enforcement to open carry in his court, he refused to allow Mr. Markum to have his weapon in his court. It was my job to enforce the judge's order and, in doing so, it did put me at odds with Mike Markum.

My then wife, Regina Hutchens, accompanied me to that first meeting with Mike Markum. Upon leaving, Regina stated to me that it seemed to her Mike had a great DISLIKE for me. She said, "He will have you back in prison before the end of your parole if he gets half a chance."

I wore the ankle monitoring device for two (2) months and signed up for the post release counseling requirement. I drove to Fayetteville weekly for the first year and once a month thereafter for the remaining year. During this entire two year term, I never missed any appointments, paid all my fines in full, passed every drug test, and paid \$30.00 for each counseling session plus \$25.00 monthly for the probation costs.

I had received a notice from SOSRA, at the time of my initial release, that I had been assigned a Level 3 Sex Offender status. My crime had been viewing images from the internet. There were NO instances of attempting to contact anyone and certainly No cases of a physical nature or contact.

Joseph Rosenweig of Little Rock petitioned in Pulaski County Circuit Court to lower my assessment level to 2. The motion was granted in March, 2009. After the hearing the judge in the matter stated that it should have never been a level 3 in the first place.

I informed Mike Markum of this at our next meeting, and he went nuts, ranting and raving and even alluding to the fact that the judge must have given me special consideration because of my background in law enforcement. (To my knowledge, the judge did not know I was retired from the Arkansas State Police.)

MY TWO YEAR PAROLE PERIOD:

During this time—February, 2008, to March, 2010—I lived at my home in Bella Vista and remained married to Regina (Miller) Hutchens in name only. She became increasingly distant. There was no physical relationship. She was gone much of the time. Her frequent complaint was that I had caused her great embarrassment. Regina had two daughters by a previous marriage. During all the investigative process, both of them were interviewed by prosecutors. There was NO hint of any sexual misconduct of any kind at any time.

COMPUTERS IN THE HOUSE:

At the initial home inspection in 2008 before my release, there were a total of three (3) computers in the house. Regina had a personal lap top plus there were two PC's in a spare bedroom and a sitting room adjacent to the master bedroom. We were told they would all have to be password protected. I admit that I had full access to all these computers, ordering from Amazon, and buying and selling on Craig's list and EBay.

AN UNUSUAL SETTING:

In March, near the very end of my parole period, Regina said that I needed to hurry home from a monthly men's business/inspirational luncheon in Rogers because she said "a man might be coming at two (2) p.m. to look at the house." This was about March 17. Regina said she needed to go to Van Buren to check on her son-in-law and grandchildren since her daughter was deployed with the 188th Air Guard from Fort Smith. This was out of the ordinary since Regina usually went there on the weekends.

At one p.m. I arrived at home and prepared lunch for Regina's mother who lived with us. I was downstairs when I heard a knock at the door. Coming up the stairs, I was SHOCKED to see Mike Markum along with SIX (6) Bella Vista and Benton County officers.

Having a thirty (30) year- long background in law enforcement, I knew this was HIGHLY out of the ordinary. I told Mike I was going to the bathroom. As I headed there, I saw one of the computers was on and I switched it off. This seemed to bother Mike a great deal.

After a search of the house, they took ONE computer from the bedroom but never looked at the other two. I was NOT worried about them finding anything.

I knew I had NOT viewed anything that could be considered illegal. However, I had talked to a woman I had met in a chat room in Orlando, Florida. She and her husband belonged to a swap club there. She had sent me some sexually explicit picture of their activities. They were all middle aged with the exception of one woman who said she was 19.

MARCH 25:

I went to Bella Vista to mail a package and then on to McDonald's just north of the Arkansas/Missouri state line. As I was returning home, a Bella Vista detective arrived saying he needed to take a photo of my truck for their files. As we were talking, Mike Markum pulled up and threw me against the wall. He told me I was under arrest for parole violation. The violations were for:

1. Receipt in my pocket from the McDonalds
2. Cell phone which had internet capability—although it was disabled
3. Having access to a computer

Markum also told me that they had found images of child pornography on the hard drive. I made every attempt to tell him this was NOT right. I asked for a polygraph, but to no avail.

At the Benton County jail I was interviewed. I freely admitted to using the internet but repeated that I had NEVER looked at the nine (9) images that they claimed had been opened and deleted but found on the hard drive.

Regina would NOT accept any calls from the jail. My sister, Susie Neel, came on the third day. She was crying and said that Regina had called her and told her to come get my personal effects from the garage before she had them destroyed the following day. This included all my awards, photos, clothing, etc.

When Susie and her husband went to get the belongings, Regina told her that not one penny of the joint money accounts would be spent on any attorney fees. She said to tell me that if I tried to stop either my state police or military retirement income from coming to her that she would tell the crimes against children unit in Benton County that I had molested my step grandchildren.

JAIL IN BENTON COUNTY:

While there, I became increasingly despondent and depressed. The publicity was so unfair and so upsetting. Yes, I had violated my parole by using the internet, but I had NEVER looked at any of those images. How could I convince people of my innocence? After two (2) weeks, I attempted suicide by diving off the top bunk onto a concrete floor.

I was taken to UAMS in Little Rock with two (2) fractured vertebrae in my neck and the total loss of hearing in my right ear. While in Pine Bluff, my only child, Cathy Janeen Perfect, was my only contact. A career Air Force woman, she checked my banking account which showed that Regina had been at a bar and grill the night of my arrest running a tab of \$53.00. Regina also filed for separate maintenance. This prevented me from stopping all checks coming to her for one (1) full year.

In August, 2010, I volunteered to enter the Reduction of Sexual Victim Program in Malvern. During this period in Malvern, my sister, Susie Neel, discovered that Regina was selling off boats and depleting our money market account which had been at over \$300,000.00 at the time of my arrest.

As the end of the one year separate maintenance was ending, my daughter and her husband, Mark (also retired Air Force), flew in from San Antonio, Texas, and filed a divorce petition using the Shane Wilkerson Law Firm in Bentonville.

MORE SLANDER FROM REGINA:

Within one month of the divorce filing, I received notice from the Crimes Against Children Unit that Regina had filed a claim alleging that I had molested a step granddaughter, Chayne. Even though I carefully explained all the details to the investigator, I had little hope considering where I was.

I thought I had no chance. HOWEVER, two (2) months later, I did receive notification that the charges were unfounded.

But, believe it or not, two weeks following that, Regina filed another complaint but using another step granddaughter as the victim this time. Again, thankfully, these claims, too, were deemed to be unfounded.

In September, 2011, I finished my RSVP and in April, 2012, I went flat on the five (5) year sentence. Benton County picked me up to await trial in July. I was denied bail. My divorce and hearing were both scheduled for the same time. I had had NO contact from Regina during any of this time. Shane Wilkerson advised me that some of the pictures they were charging me with appeared to be pictures that had been taken at what appeared to be a nudist camp. Nudity but no sexual conduct. Matthew, my step grandson who was 16 at the time, often used that computer when he stayed with us for two (2) weeks during the summer of 2009.

I was advised by my attorney that unless I could prove someone else had looked at those images, a jury would assume I was guilty. He said that a polygraph or voice stress test would do no good. I told him I did not want to plead guilty to a crime I did not commit.

The prosecutor was asking for 125 Years. He wanted a guilty plea also.

After three months, Shane came to me with a final offer. If I pleaded NO CONTEST, I would be sentenced to 56 years on a class B offense. This would allow time served to be seven and a half years before being eligible for parole. I had to think carefully. The Benton County jail is bad—one of the top ten worst in the country to do time. I was isolated 23 hours a day. No books, no radio, etc.

AGAINST MY BETTER JUDGMENT:

Against my better judgment and to my dying day, I did agree to what had to be a horribly severe sentence for something I surely did NOT do.

REGINA, DETECTIVE WITH BENTONVILLE POLICE, 12 YEARS

While I cannot say with proof who opened the images on that computer (or even what they were) I can truthfully say that I did NOT. Regina was one person who worked for the department and knew first-hand, along with my “friend” Mike Markum what it would take to get me back in prison. I know that Mike had the computer in his possession. I know that my step grandson—like other teenagers—may have liked to look at images.

Unfortunately, our prisons have others like me who are innocent of their crimes. I have served a lot of time. I have spent a lifetime serving the people of Arkansas and our country. I have been a model inmate all these years. I believe there is NO societal reason for me to remain in the department of corrections.

REGINA, THE SHOPLIFTER

Her character: Arrested for shoplifting six (6) times during our marriage in northwest Arkansas. It is my understanding, more incidents have since occurred in McDonald County, Missouri. As part of the divorce settlement, I signed a quit claim deed on our house, valued at \$400,000.00. It has mysteriously burned recently.

THIS ACCOUNT GIVEN BY JOSEPH TRUMAN HUTCHENS, September, 2015

8. List all other crimes **not listed before**, even out of state crimes, traffic violations, misdemeanors, etc. **that you do not want to be considered for commutation (time cut).**

Crime	County of conviction	Date	Court Docket #	Sentence
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

1. Are you: Single _____ Married _____ Separated _____ Divorced Widowed _____

List the following information:

Name of Spouse	Date of marriage	Date Marriage ended	Reason (divorce/death, etc)
REGINA ANN MILLER HUTCHINS	12-15-73	07-18-2012	DIVORCE
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2. Do you have children? Yes No If so, how many? 1 NATURAL
2 STEP

Name	Age	Address
CATHRYN PERFECT (D)	49	8003 SKY VISTA, GARDEN RIDGE, TX. 78266
CRYSTAL HOFFMAN (SD)	47	? TULSA, OK
COTY DAVIS (SD)	45	? VAN BUREN, AR

3. Have you ever served in the Armed Forces? Yes No
If yes, what branch? U.S. ARMY SFC (E-7) RET.

4. What type of discharge did you receive? Honorable Dishonorable
Medical Other

EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND

1. Please provide the following information about your current job:

Name of employer (RETIRED) ARKANSAS STATE POLICE (TROOP W SPRINGDALE)

Employer's address and phone # LITTLE ROCK, AR

When were you hired 4-15-1976 TO 4-15-2004

Give a brief description of your job duties:

I WORKED AS A TROOPER IN THE HIGHWAY PATROL DIVISION AND AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASST. TO THE TROOP COMMANDER FROM 1996-2004

2. If you are currently unemployed, but on disability, please explain how you became disabled.

RETIRED BOTH AR STATE POLICE AND U.S. ARMY ACTIVE DUTY AND NATIONAL GUARD

For previous jobs you have held, list the following information:

Dates		Employer	Address & Current Phone	Reason for Leaving
From	To			
1963	1966	U.S. ARMY (ACTIVE)	FT HOOD TX & NUREMBERG GER.	HON. DISCHARGE
1980	2000	U.S. ARMY (ARNG)	1ST BN 142ND F.A, FAYETTEVILLE, AR	HON. DISCHARGE (RET)
1969	1976	FAYETTEVILLE P.D.	FAYETTEVILLE, AR	BETTER JOB
1976	2004	AR. STATE POLICE	LITTLE ROCK	RETIRED
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

School	Address	Dates of Attendance	Highest grade completed & Degrees
WEST FORK SCHOOLS	WEST FORK, AR (WASH. CO.)	1952 - 1963	11 th Grade
U.S. ARMY CONT. ED.	EUROPE	1964	GED
N.W. AR. COMM. College	Bentonville	2000 - 2001	40 HRS. CRIM. JUSTICE
VINCENNES UNIV.	VINCENNES, IN	2000 - 2002	ASSOC. DEG. LIFE SKILLS
C.A.B.B.I.	BENTON, AR	2012 - 2015	ASSOC. DEG. BIBLE STUDIES

By signing and submitting this application, I hereby swear and affirm that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and I hereby waive any state or federal privacy protections or other privileges to the extent allowable by law.

I understand that incorrect information provided, will be grounds for IMMEDIATE DENIAL!

You must answer all questions or your application will be returned.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Joe T. Hutchens

Date of Application: _____

June 14, 2018

Subscribed and sworn to me this 14th day of June, 2018.

My Commission expires: 6-20-21

Lewis Young Notary Public

LEWIS YOUNG
 NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF ARKANSAS
 PULASKI COUNTY
 My Commission Expires 06-20-2021
 Commission # 12383218

JOSEPH TRUMAN HUTCHENS—BIOGRAPHICAL OVERVIEW

DOB: March 25, 1946

1963—Volunteer, Age 17, UNITED STATES ARMY (Vietnam War Era)

1969-1976—Fayetteville, Arkansas Police Department

April, 1976—Employed Arkansas State Police

August, 1977-November, 1977—Arkansas State Police Troop School

July, 1978—Transferred to Troop L, Springdale, AR

July, 1979—Awarded ARKANSAS STATE POLICE LIFE SAVING MEDAL

June, 1980—ASP Field Training Officer School—CERTIFIED

1981-1990—Member SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM, Troop L

1986—Certified Open Water, Diver Training School, Mountain Home, AR

1986-1991—Member ASP UNDERWATER SEARCH AND RECOVERY TEAM

1989—Awarded ARKANSAS STATE POLICE VALOR---Bentonville, AR incident with armed suspect

1990-1992—Two (2) ARKANSAS STATE POLICE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

1995-2004—Troop Services Officer, Troop L, Springdale, AR

1990-1991—BRONZE STAR—Operation Desert Storm, FDC Chief BTRY C 1st BN 142 Field Artillery

1996—ARKANSAS SENIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATE

2004—LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR—American Legion

2004—Retired, ARKANSAS STATE POLICE; ARKANSAS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

2015—Biblical Science, Assc. Degree, Central AR Baptist Bible Seminary

Dear Arkansas Parole Board,

I am writing to express my support for the release of Joseph T. Hutchens #138022. My name is Mark Perfect and I've been Joe's proud son-in-law for 29+ years. His daughter Cathryn, grandchildren Shannon and Ryan, and I have an amazing support system waiting to greet him upon release.

When Joe re-joins our family 20 miles north of the San Antonio he will also join a close network of great neighbors, friends, and other retirees living in Military City USA. Wrightsville and ADC records will show our support system in action over the many years of incarceration, as we have never missed weekly phone calls, letters, visits, and provided funds to his account every month.

As you may know Joe Hutchens is a retired Arkansas State Trooper, police officer, and Army National Guardsman. Upon his release he will have a retirement income and only work if he so desires. Knowing Joe, he will most likely spend a few months acclimating back to civilian life while developing his own network of community friends. Our family sees Dad mixing in well with other veteran volunteer programs on-base and also rolling up his sleeves to assist our local audio visual/multi-media/ broadcast team within Community Bible Church.

Joe has now spent 10+ years of his life incarcerated. He has lost everyday freedoms of life, family, and those precious years that we all dream about after working 40+ year careers. Since his incarceration he has an **impeccable record**, completed all program achievements required for release. He has also never hesitated to reach out, teach, and mentor dozens of younger inmates.

We hope and pray you feel Joe T. Hutchens has completed prison time for his action and is now ready to be proud and productive member of society. Joe Hutchens and his family are ready to unite and move forward. I can be reached at (210) 867-7348 or perfectmco@att.net anytime for questions.

Respectfully,



Mark Perfect
USAF Retired & Son-in-law

May 29, 2018

Dear Parole Members:

I am writing this letter in support of my father, Joe T. Hutchens. Since his incarceration he's not only completed all programs and training requirements to address his past, but he took every internal leadership role that was offered to him due to maturity, background, and overall genuine personality to reach other inmates. It's our prayer that this Parole Board feels time has been served and Joe Hutchens is ready to be released back to a positive environment and supporting community.

My father has always been my strong hold in life and the one I have always looked up to. With 40+ years of Police and Military service, he has always been that stand-up man that believes in accountability for actions. For the past 10+ years of his incarceration the roles have reversed and dad knows better than most that "you can't change the past nor can you predict the future, but, you can learn from mistakes and follow what's in your heart.

My father has always been thoughtful, considerate, and the one who taught me about life and how to handle the different obstacles that I would encounter. Sometimes I ponder on just how we got to where we are today, but I must focus my energy and my family's energy on the way forward. Upon his release he will reside with my husband and I in Garden Ridge, Texas a small military town 20 miles north of San Antonio. Our property is large with plenty of projects for dad to sink his talents and skills into as he adjusts back to civilian life. We are surrounded by great friends and a retirement community that already plans to welcome him with open arms.

I see the turning of a new stone for my father. The future holds a new life, new beginning with new people and family members that care for him dearly. My father is now 72 years old is ready for this final chapter in his life. For this reason I pray for his release. During my father's incarceration, we have not missed a twice-a-week phone call. Each conversation reiterates our love for each other and the encouragement that one day this will be over.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Cathryn J Hutchens Perfect

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Gladys Rusk. I am the widow of retired ^{30 year} serviceman, CSM James Rusk. I am writing on behalf of my brother, Joseph T. Hutchens, 138022, at the Hawkins Pathway to Freedom Unit in Wrightsville, Arkansas. Joe served more than thirty years in the armed services, national guard, and as a trooper for the Arkansas State Police. He has always been a model citizen, even as an inmate. Joe is 69 years old, and I am 74.

Please consider reducing his sentence to time served so that we can spend what time we have left in seeing each other. As you will see from the enclosed information, I believe that my brother truly does not need to be in prison.

Joe's only child, Cathy Janeen Perfect (retired U. S. Air Force) and her husband Mark (retired U. S. Air Force) still work at the air base in San Antonio, Texas, and desperately want Joe to be with them and spend his remaining years in their home.

Sincerely,

Gladys M Rusk 835 7252

Gladys Rusk

7 Cinnamon Drive

Sherwood, Arkansas 72120

501-231-0499 501-835-7252

10/2015