

Oscar Osiris Hernandez | [REDACTED]

Judge Paul A. Engelmayer U.S. District Court - Southern District of NY  
[REDACTED]

Dear Judge Engelmayer,

I'm writing this letter to request leniency for my little brother, Daniel Hernandez. Growing up was nothing short of difficult. My step-father was killed a block away from our home, and I quickly had to assume the role of man of the house. I was busy working many odd jobs to try and make ends meet, but Daniel was left without father figure and chose a different path that not only afforded his rise to super stardom, but made him a magnet for people with malicious intent.

As his older brother, I want nothing more than to watch him prosper. As a stranger looking in, I see a scared kid whose light attracted a venomous group who exploited him. I can't expect my words to change your decision, but I ask you to please put yourself in my family's shoes. My diabetic mother hasn't been the same since his arrest and awaits his return every single day. His five-year-old daughter, Saraiyah, misses him very much and needs her father; a role that I realized no one can replace.

The "6ix 9ine" social media has become obsessed with is drastically different from the Daniel I know—a loyal family man who has done everything in his power to take care of my mother and I and everyone around him. This case has proved his power in bringing people together, and I believe he can wield his influence to make a lasting impact on the new generation; one that is unguided for the time being. If granted this request, I'm certain he can change not only to the lives of the kids in our community, but those around the world.

A year of his life is sufficient enough, especially at such a young age.

Respectfully,

Oscar Hernandez

December 9, 2019

Hon. Paul A. Engelmayer  
District Judge  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse

Honorable Justice Paul A. Engelmayer;

This letter is to ask you for leniency in the name of Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on my son Daniel Hernandez. I write this with anguish and a heavy heart. The pain that writing this has caused me is unsurpassed, but I would do anything for my son, Daniel Hernandez, because of the good heart and sweet soul that he always was and still is today.

I came to this country in 1988 seeking a better life and opportunity. Daniel was born in 1996 and that is when his dad and I worked the hardest. I worked in factories, cleaning houses and anything I could, to build a solid foundation for my family. Despite the humble home we had, he was the happiest and silliest kid. He always had a song to sing and if he was not singing he was dancing. I raised him and his brother in the church throughout their youth. Danny sang during mass and was selected many times to read the word of God. His favorite passage was Psalm 121. It was always important to me that my children understood the importance of faith and right from wrong. Our faith kept us happy and at peace and God is present in our lives today.

Danny was also very athletic. He loved baseball and played for some years, but his most cherished sport was soccer. He played soccer so well that at 13 years old, a scout was going to sign him to a major league team. I refused to give him permission because I could not trust a perfect stranger just taking my son at such a young age. Danny was not happy with my decision, but he had so many talents to keep him busy that he quickly overcame his frustration.

In 2010, the love of my life and father to my children passed away. This loss brought so much pain to our lives, but Danny was the most affected. He became terribly depressed to the point where he almost died. Losing the backbone and biggest support to our family broke Danny in a way that we could not predict. He lost so much weight, did not shower or eat and grew his unkempt hair very long. He could not bring himself to go to school and I thought I was going to lose my son. After talking to him, seeking therapy sessions for him, and our faith in God, Danny improved day by day. He was always a self-motivated kid and during his worst time he found his own rehabilitation through music and working to provide for the family. He dedicated himself to honing his craft by

singing and writing every day. He sang through his pain and became a stronger person. Music was his redemption.

My talented son began making music videos in our backyard in Bushwick, Brooklyn. Amid this time, we were very poor. My late husband was a great provider for our family and losing him changed our lifestyle drastically. My jobs were not enough to sustain us. I applied for Welfare to assist us but there were still many nights that my boys went to bed without dinner. They wore used clothes and Christmas at our house was always a sad time. We only had two beds in our home and Danny slept in my bed because we didn't have enough money to buy another one. Danny always talked about having a dog and a big house, but at this time of our lives, that all seemed very unattainable to me; not to Danny. He believed that through his music he could make a difference.

At 17 years old, Danny conceived a daughter. Since the day she was born until today, she is his most perfect creation and priority. He was young with many obstacles against him, but he still worked hard to give his daughter whatever she needed and to help provide for me and his brother. Today, he makes time for his daughter and cherishes each quality moment with her. No matter what is happening in his life, he has shown that his daughter will never need anything as long as he is around.

Following his newly found success, he wanted me to move from our home in Bushwick so that we could live in a safer place. I was hesitant to leave because I lived in this house for 31 years. Danny decided to get a home in Brooklyn to live closer to me. Life taught me a lesson when our safety and well being was compromised after some hoodlums threatened me and robbed and kidnapped my son. I realized that my son's music career was bigger than I thought and was soaring every day. Danny became motivated to make even more changes after that ordeal. Danny's music career skyrocketed and before we knew it, he was making changes not only in our lives and his own, but in other people's lives he crosses paths with.

With his success he has received financial freedom. His public image and appearance does not reflect that heart that he always had and still has. Danny has used his success to help sick children, people with cancer, the elderly, countries where children are living in poverty and anyone who needs help around the world. He knows what it feels like to go to bed hungry. He knows the pain of loss and the suffering of depression. Danny knows what it's like to want to help but not have the means to do it. He has vowed a life of humility and big-heartedness despite his fame.

A few years ago, I had an operation on four hernias. Since then I have been unable to work. Despite that, I have not needed food, clothing, shelter, or support because Danny has been there for me every day and took care of me during my recovery time. Even if he has to go far for work, it always feels like he is near me because he is there to talk to and does not allow me to have a moment of need. Today I am living in a big house with a pool and all of our dreams have come true. He has

made our family and his daughter very happy and has given us a quality of life that we only dreamt of. This was only possible because of him.

My son Daniel, while imprisoned, has provided for us financially, for my other son Oscar and also myself. As a single mother I raised my children with what God has given me the means to provide and showed them to walk as men down a righteous path. I thank God everyday for the blessings he's given our family but I still long for my son and his brother needs him too. This situation has not only affected us emotionally and mentally but also physically as my health(High Blood Pressure) has declined over the course of this year. I want to be able to spend the holidays with my son Daniel, I miss him more then words can describe. I ask of you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that you consider the opportunity of me and my son Daniel seeing each other soon. I will be eternally grateful if you give me the joy of being with my son again.

I plead with you today, to listen to a mother who knows her son best. I know his heart better than any news reporter, record label, or fan. I know him sometimes better than he even knows himself. I assure you, that locking up my son, Daniel Hernandez, is an injustice to my family, who relies on him for financial, emotional, and physical support. It is an injustice to his daughter who depends on him and adores him. It is unjust to the many families that he continues to help because his heart will never stop loving people. It is an injustice to the people who need his example to better their own lives. He is the missing link in so many lives and serves a better purpose outside in this world. We need more young people like him who put themselves last to give to others. Please don't judge him by his looks or even the mistakes he has made. It is his mighty heart that has brought him this far in life. He is still growing and learning at the young age of 23. He understands that there are still areas where he needs to learn and improve. He is surrounded by successful people who have helped him evolve and encouraged him to walk away from the negativity in his life. I urge you to not remove him from the progress he is already making.

I have faith that you will see him through my eyes and see him for who he really is; a young man with a loving family, a humble redemption story, and an immense and giving heart. It would not be fair for you to take the biggest heart I know and cage it.

Thank you for listening and blessings to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Natividad Perez-Hernandez

**RACHEL WATTLEY**

November 11, 2019

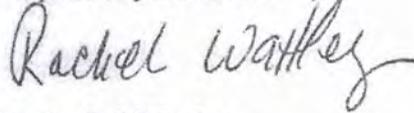
Hon. Paul Adam Engelmayer  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
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Re: Daniel Hernandez

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

My name is Rachel Wattlely. I am the girlfriend of Daniel Hernandez. I want to start this letter off by saying this has not been an easy year, not that we expected it to be Your Honor but God gives his toughest battles to his strongest soldiers. When I met Daniel Hernandez, he was nothing like how the internet portrayed him to be. He was the total opposite. He was exceptionally respectful, outgoing, very sweet, kind hearted and a genuine generous person. Yes, we knew each other for a few weeks before his indictment but I decided to stick by his side not because I felt I needed to but that he needed someone he can trust in his corner. Throughout the first few months while Daniel was incarcerated, he would always speak on his family, take care of everyone and then go above and beyond with what was necessary. Leading up to this sentencing day, we are extremely optimistic that he will be able to show the change in him to anyone that matters and to the entire world. I am hoping that you can consider this letter as a reasonable statement based on his conduct in the courtroom. I want to thank you Your Honor for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully and sincerely,



Ms. Rachel Wattlely



Monday, November 25, 2019

To the Honorable Judge Paul A. Engelmayer,

My name is Sam Sprouse and I am an Executive Protection Specialist and Owner of Masiam Executive. I'm a dedicated security professional with numerous years of experience in the discipline of close protection and Risk Mitigation. With a professional background that has spanned the U.S. and Internationally, I've been of service to a wide range of clients; from internationally recognized public figures, to the Fortune 10 corporate and private sectors. I am currently Daniel Hernandez's Director of Security & Operations; and handler of a variety of affairs in his regard. My watch began with Daniel, in Late July of 2018.

I handle the personal lives of my principals professionally, and the discipline of the craft allows me a unique insight into the behaviors and the character of individuals. I operate in environments where behaviors must be gauged in an instant, and judgements must be made with very little margin for error. As a protector, I am trained to see what is unseen. It is with that detached objectivity, that I'd like to offer you a vantage point, to shed light on the reality of who Daniel Hernandez really is.

July 16th, 2018 was my first day on assignment, and my first formal interaction with "the Rainbow haired kid from Brooklyn". That is what those of us in the southern midwest knew of him as. – a witty character, only recognized by way of viral Instagram memes, and contentious encounters with other artists, in his genre. I'd never listened to his music, nor was I ever interested; and what little I did know of him either made people laugh, or pissed them off entirely.

My first Assignment with him was classified as "Highly Sensitive". The objective was simple. Receive the protectee at the airport, transport him to a secure location until his scheduled court appearance the following day. Escort him through proceedings and get him back on a plane and out of the city, without incident. The objective was par for the course, however with the measure of security protocols enlisted, and level of sensitivity and perception of danger by others surrounding the mission, you would have thought that Daniel Hernandez was either Michael Jackson, or we were transporting a high valued target from the FBI's most wanted Terrorist Watch List.

But as I stood in position, outside a fleet of Black SUVs along-side my team of hired guns and capable men, Daniel exited the terminal. I held the door open for him as he stepped into the transport, I focused in on him, and at that moment I instantly knew, "Tekashi 6ix9ine" was no where close to being what I had heard about or prepared for, in protocols. He was a Kid! With a trained eye one could see the insecurity in his walk. The hint of awkward practicality in his eye. "What on earth was all of this preparation for?", a rhetorical question asked to myself, as our fleet sped away in tandem, beginning our mission.

Little did I know then, that over the course of my next year with him, I would not only serve as protector, but as a confidant and advisor to one of the most amazingly talented, surprisingly humble and seemingly most misunderstood kid, I've ever known.

I use the term "kid" lightly, as I'm a man in his life that spares him no excuses. I lead a life aligned as closely to the facts as possible. I'm not here to fuel egos, coddle his insecurities or appeal to his worst impulses. I'm here to keep him alive; and in added value, I have a self-endowed obligation to make sure he becomes a good person in the process. Danny makes that part easy. He IS a good person.

He's a young man that I've witnessed give inspiration to, and find comfort in the terminally sick. A human being that I've watched reverse path, to give his last dollar to the homeless, in the streets of a foreign country. The kind of spirit that literally abhors Animal Amusement Parks, for the simple idea that God-given animals of this earth, are held in captivity. Someone with such an awareness of his own insignificance and selflessness, that though restricted of his own freedom, has spent his own money in helping poor families in need. From providing food and shelter, to supporting vacations to the less fortunate. Anything to give them the chance to Dream. This and many things I've given witness to, represent the kind and purposeful soul that is Daniel Hernandez.

So how does one make sense of where we are at the present date? I can tell you that my time I spent in overwatch of Daniel through the course of 2018 always felt like I was navigating between two separate worlds. One, in feral environments of Urban Street Culture. The other, of "Danny". Neither one ever blended with the other very well... and it's only in standing back from the situation that I have a clearer lens in making sense of all that was achieved and what was lost.

If I had to identify a reason for the contradiction, and for why things ultimately materialized as they did, it could perhaps be surmised in one word: Integrity. – in that, everyone, at some moment or another, lost sight of it.

*an adherence to moral and ethical principles; a state of being whole, entire or undiminished; in honesty to oneself.*

It's only through that lens that I've come to see it for what it was. In the limitations of his environment, Daniel was doing what he thought could make a life for himself. – Strategically, and Musically. While there are some things he achieved beyond even his wildest imagination, ultimately the (street) associations that saw an "opportunity" in him, created an environment that disrupted it all. I believe that Daniel strayed from who he really was, in furtherance of his only goal, of simply becoming successful! The street (members), similarly compromised (the code of) who they were, to exploit that success for their own gain. Both worlds found themselves in a perpetual

state of uncharted territory. Navigating their way to what they wanted for themselves, respectively, through the only channel they had.

As a non-New Yorker, witnessing the type of culture and mindset that exists in New York, the mentality has its roots. New York City, is one of toughest, most resilient places on Earth! There's an aura of audacity, grit, and resilience in every piece of the air. The saying that, "If you can make it here, you can make it anywhere!", resonates across this entire state and its people. From Time Square to the Hamptons. From the Executives, to the Exiled.

Danny is a kid from the streets, but he is no street kid. He is no gangster. He's hardly any of the things he's conveniently vilified as. While, he hasn't exactly done himself many favors in that narrative, I see him as a kid that desperately wanted to make something productive of himself. Maybe he was too impressionable. Maybe the street members were too irresponsible. Maybe in the near-sightedness of our pursuits to succeed, we ALL have moments where the filters of our lives become distorted and we fall short of what we ultimately aim to stand on. At some point or another the Trial & Errors of life cross us all; and just maybe... those Mistakes have the power to turn you into something better than you were before.

The sequence of events that have occurred to and for this young man in the timespan that it has, could have never been imagined, even if one tried. No one, from industry executive, to the middle-aged soccer moms of suburbia even made sense of it in real time. I know because I'm a witness to the reactions. Daniel Hernandez is an Anomaly. What he has amassed for himself at his own hands is something that quite honestly, has been Extraordinary. – both in his successes and in misfortune.

Your honor, for better or worse, I believe that kind of impact speaks for something. Much like his full and unwavering cooperation in this trial, Daniel's behaviors continue to represent something unprecedented in this day and age, even within a court of law. Whatever Danny's truth is, the reality is that he has followed it into its deepest waters... Maybe it hasn't always been at the best of choices... but its always been executed with the right intention of heart.

There are no excuses for what Danny has lost; but there is so much to be said for what he has left. Daniel Hernandez's complete and unprecedented cooperation with the United States Federal government has cemented the fact that he will be looking over his shoulder for the rest of his life. But I believe that Daniel stands as a young man now, who has accepted his lessons, taken accountability for his actions and seeks to atone for his affects.

He and I have conversations on the plans he has if he gets out. Aside from rebuilding his professional career, I hear much more conversation stirred, of what he wants to do for the masses of kids who grew up like he has. For all the negative things that have made an impression upon him, he wants to speak light into future children through his influence, and impact those who've had the same disparities he's overcoming in his own life. Generations of some of the very type of people

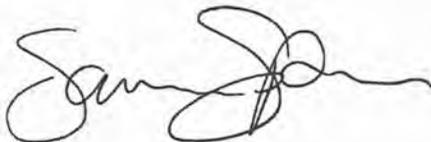
that have stood before you over your accomplished career, Judge Engelmayer. I would think it was just jail talk, had I not seen the character of it for myself, in the recesses of his most private moments.

Daniel continues to use his circumstances at each level, to improve. To show that you can create something new; turn your trials into a testimony of triumph and be an example to all, that you can rise from anything. You can Refine. Rebuild; and be Redeemed! What more could you expect from a true New Yorker! That's the only Danny I have ever known. What I've seen rise from of these circumstances looks smarter, feels stronger, always appreciative and more focused than ever to face his life, and create something that those who love and look up to him, will be proud of.

Daniel still has a Goal. Even in the magnitude of what he is faced with, He still wants to achieve the impossible. He still desires to make his mother and brother, his little daughter and his father above so very proud. One of the toughest parts of growth, is surviving the dirt. Should he be released, and given the opportunity, my goals for him are ultimately aligned with his... and yours, your honor. Daniel Hernandez has a plan, and this time around he's surrounded with the proper influences to insure his success and positive contribution to society.

I still see what this young seed can become. Just as clear as I did, that 16th day in July of 2018. Daniel Hernandez will be my Final Assignment as an Executive Protection Specialist, and I am here for as long as I need to be, as a protector and advisor to him, making sure he's true to his word, and stays on a path of Redemption, for the rest of his life...

With Sincerest Regards,

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Sam Sprouse, EPS

Brandon Cornish  
[REDACTED]

11/11/2019

Judge Paul A. Englemayer  
US Southern District  
[REDACTED]

Dear: Judge Paul A. Englemayer

My father asked me to write a letter about Daniel Hernandez. I first met him was at a concert we did in Connecticut. We met at the show and got along great he always treated me with respect and enjoyed working with my dad. My brother who was 15-year-old at the time found him on the internet on sound cloud. I ended up going on 3 tours across all of Europe with him and all his long-time friends we became close all of us. We stayed in the hotels together and created a close bond I was in a few videos with him as well. I went around the world with him. One thing that I feel is important is that he insisted that we all were taken care of first. This we all appreciated very much. I will never forget this experience I had with him. He's a good friend which I hope to work with again.

Sincerely,

**Brandon Cornish**  
Enclosure

William Cornish  
[REDACTED]

11/11/2019

Judge Paul A. Englemayer  
US Southern District  
[REDACTED]

Dear Judge Paul A. Englemayer:

I was asked to write a letter about my experience with Daniel Hernandez. I know him as (Danny). I met him when he first started his career. My 15-year-old adopted son found him on the internet doing very well. So, I contacted his manager at the time, and we went down to Brooklyn to meet them. We ended up in his second music video shoot Kooda. He was the nicest person I ever met personally. Subsequently I was booking all his shows exclusively. Danny and I met together on several occasions. He was so respectful whenever we would go to an event, he would insist I would sit in the front of vehicle. I'm an older gentleman 54 to be exact. How he affected my family is only god sent. I had got divorced 10 years ago. After this happened, I personally have had custody of my children. I have 4 boys 2 biological sons and 1 stepson and one adopted child which me and my ex-wife adopted together. I tell you this to say that he saved my family in every way anyone could have saved us. My mother passed away she had no life insurance. With the opportunity Danny gave me and my family I was able to pay for her funeral. We also because of the divorce we lost our home and again Danny helped me with this as well I worked for 4 it but at the end of the day he could have worked with anyone. My son also toured Europe with him all those videos are accurate as you know my son is in a hugely viral video and me as his father am so happy to have my son go to countries I haven't been to. I am also a former US Marine and US Army Veteran as well. I met his mother and brother and developed a very good relationship with them as well. I can say this with all confidence the mistakes he made don't define him in any way. They were very bad choices. I feel in my heart it would he has an amazing character and was misled. I will never be able to repay the opportunity back in a lifetime. If he is given the opportunity to be released, he will change his life decisions completely. This is my honest experience with Daniel Hernandez. I want to thank you for the opportunity to relay my experience with him.

Sincerely,

William Cornish

Enclosure

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Herman Muurlink

Artist & Event director @ J.Noah

Dear reader,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez (tekashi69). For our indoor festival (Jungle Electric) we booked Daniel as the headliner. We always do research before booking an artist. And when asking other promoters about him, I must say: we only heard positive things.

On June 24th I met Daniel a few hours before the show. I remember he showed up early (which we really appreciated). He and his crew were very kind to our team and the venue staff.

We discussed the programming of the evening and he showed a lot of interest and expressed his ideas in a very professional manner. He also showed a lot of respect to the other artists we booked. That's what made the atmosphere backstage very pleasant.

Daniels performance was a great success. The concert was completely sold out and the crowd just showed him so much love. During the meet and greet I could see that he is truly grateful and kind to all of his fans.

After the show Daniel just relaxed a little, I noticed that he did not drink at all. We talked for a while and he thanked our whole team before leaving to his hotel.

I've met many artists over the years, but I can honestly say that Daniel is one of the most kind and professional artists I've met. The entertainer he is on stage, and the person he is off stage is really the best possible combination you could wish for as a promoter.

Yours Sincerely,

Herman Muurlink

Signature:



Date: October 14th 2018, Hengelo

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Manuel Weber



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

As a representative for the promoter of his Berlin Show in July 2018, I met Daniel Hernandez and got to work with him for 1 day. My impression of him was one of a professional and cooperative artist with an obviously eccentric but at all times fully focused behavior.

As a person Daniel Hernandez to me made an impression as actually extremely calm of nature. Which seems like quite a contrast to the constant lively buzz that surrounds him when appearing publicly, but therefore even more so obvious.

Signature:

Date: 11/10/2018

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Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'

Gerd Bohmann  
[REDACTED]

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

My name is Gerd Bohmann and I promoted the "6ix9ine" concert in Vienna, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>.

I first met Daniel at the reception desk at the hotel in Vienna. He was very kind and very polite to all employees in the hotel. I perceived him as a very pleasant and relaxed person. He was also very obliging to all the staff at the concert as well to the drivers.

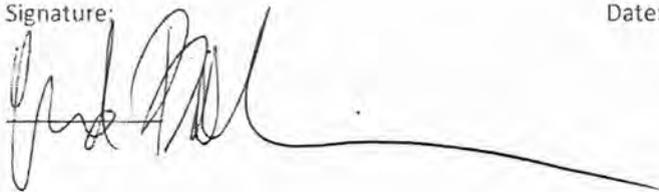
We spent some time together at dinner at the hotel and he took his time for all the fans who wanted to take a picture with him and talk to him. Even here he was all the time in a good mood.

Next to his great show he personally thanked myself for bringing him to Vienna, which I can truly say is not common when I work with other artists. The employees from the hotel had a very warm and good impression of Daniel as well they told me afterwards.

Therefore I would like to say again that Daniel was a very great artist, not only in terms of his performance at stage but on his personality level as well.

With best regards,  
Gerd Bohmann

Signature:



Date: 10/11/2018

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Faruk Ay



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

I met Daniel Hernandez at a show the company I work for was co-organizing. It was on the 15th of September.

My experience with Daniel went very well. Before the show we spent some time together and had conversations with him before his performance. During that conversation I soon noticed that he was very intelligent. I could not even compare him as I know him from his videos and performances. That is clearly an act that he sets, what I think is normal for an artist.

Furthermore, I could see that he is a family man, considering he often talked about his daughter and girlfriend. He expressed that he missed them a bit and wanted to fly them over. In short, he came across as a sensible boy who certainly does not walk next to his shoes and thus actually builds his image on the question of the youth (gangster rapper).

Signature

Date: 10/16/2018

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**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Noureddine DAHMANI



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

The American Artists Company LLC (A.A.C) is specialized in concerts production, artistic management, advices and bookings (concerts halls, festivals, town halls, regional councils, night clubs, gala diners, private parties...).

As CEO of A.A.C I had personally the great opportunity to meet with Mr. Hernandez at several occasions for some performances, songs recording with other artists we are managing and a video shooting. Each time we met, Mr. Hernandez has always been polite, punctual and very professional. He has always behaved with good manners and kindness with all our team and also with the other person being present.

As far as I am concerned it has always been a pleasure to work with Mr. Hernandez and we will for sure continue working with him if the opportunity arises in the next future.

Best regards,

N. DAHMANI  
CEO

Signature:

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Date: 10/16/2018



**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Maarten van Vugt (MOJO Concerts)



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

I was the promoter for Daniel's concert at 013 Tilburg on Saturday September 15th, 2018. Our company MOJO Concerts (Live Nation) promoted this event together with our partners at Poppodium 013 and had a successful and great event together with Daniel and his crew.

Even though Daniel had a serious foot injury, he delivered for his fans and gave a decent performance. The whole event (both pre production + actual show) went smoothly and Daniel was extremely humble. He took a moment to personally thank me and my team and seemed very grateful that we booked him.

We would absolutely consider having him back.

Signature:

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Maarten van Vugt

Date: 12-10-2018



**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Nora van der Woude – The Box Amsterdam

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

We had the pleasure to work with Daniel Hernandez end of June 2018 due to his concert in our eventlocation.

The concertpromotor, J. Noah Entertainment and Daniel Hernandez were both experienced as being highly professional.

The concert was a huge success. We didn't expect the show to go sold-out but it did; meaning we had 2850 dutch fans inside our location. There were no incidents excepts having some 'over-enthustastic' fans during this event trying to get to the Daniel Hernandez

I observed Daniel Hernandez during the 'meet and greet experience' with his fans and during soundcheck (before opening), in my opinion/experience you can really tell he is a more timid / quiet person off stage.

The moment he's on stage or on camera his 'show-face' appears and he's in his act.

A real showman! Eating brought in 'drive-thourgh snacks' instead of asking for expensive-dinner before the show and no crazy backstage adventures as some artist do have. As I can remember no alcohol was consumed by him or his crew as well; only soda's and waters

Daniel Hernandez was a professional and nice person to work with, we hope we will welcome him again in the future.

Yours Sincerely  
Nora van der Woude

Typ hier uw tekst

Signature:

Date: October 14<sup>th</sup> 2018, Amsterdam



### **Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Stav Consolas  
J.Noah Entertainment  
Booking agent/tour manager

To whom it may concern, my name is Stav Consolas, a booking Agent/Tour Manager based in Europe.

Over the course of the last decade i have been booking shows and touring with Rap Artists here in Europe. This past June I was commissioned the job of road managing for an Artist called Tekashi 69 whom you know as Daniel Hernandez. I thoroughly enjoy my job as a road manager but received this news with mixed feelings as I had been following Tekashi 69 on Social Media and so was aware of his online Antics. I feared it would be a tough job. Once the tour got started it didnt take long for me to realise, that these online Antics were in fact just attributes of an online persona used as a compliment to the music he releases and they were not representative of who Daniel was as a person (ie out of the spotlight and off social media)

That being said I don't feel that what is visible of Daniel online and on social should be used to condemn him for anything happening in the 'real world' in the same way that say, a Hollywood Actor playing a certain role in a movie isn't condemned in the real world for a character role they may have played on Camera.

While touring with Daniel I saw many examples of selflessness, which surprised me, as prior to touring I had allowed myself to assume that what I saw online was who he would be as a person. I was mistaken. On a professional level Daniel was as punctual as they come, respecting other peoples timetables (promoters, sound engineers, drivers) and showing appreciation for the work put in by everyone involved and not just taking it for granted. On a personal level, Daniel showed no sign of having a superiority complex which, in my experience, is common place with Artists at his current level of fame, it indicated a good upbringing and a character of an empathetic nature.

Danny treated everyone with respect, and acknowledged everyone he came across equally, from the lower levels of the production like the person cleaning the stage at soundcheck to the higher levels of the production, like the promoter themselves who were the ones paying him, he shook everyones hands.

Touring is exhausting and no matter how tired he would have been, he would always go out of his way in order to not let a fan down who wanted to take a selfie. He dispalyed no indication of exclusive behaviour by allowing people back stage after the show, despite being in fatigued state, in order to give his fans what they wanted, a selfie with their favourite Artist. I saw him put a smile on many kids faces and make their day by doing this, even though it posed a security risk in many cases due to the amount of people swarming him and the lack of security we had.

Another testament of his character is something I personally experienced on 3 occasions.

1 When he was held at the London airport, I was waiting for him at the airport and was the first person he was allowed to speak to on the phone. The only thing he was concerned with was letting his loved ones back at home know he was ok and safe so they wouldnt worry by giving me his partners number and asking me to call her to let her know not to worry.

2 Upon arriving in Amsterdam on the 24th of June I was a little worse for wear having lost my credit card, not being able to get some food as a result and in desperate need of rest. Upon realising my situation, he made sure I got fed at his own expense , got rest by giving me his room key, in which he had all his personal belonging, including extremely valuable Jewellery. *\*Note Upon arrival at each city, his suite was always prepared and ready no matter the time of arrival, everyone elses room was ready in the afternoon*

3 The last scheduled show of the tour was in Berlin, but this changed as there were 2 last minute bookings made while on the road, one in Cyprus and one in France. This made things difficult for me as I was going througuh a strained relationship at the time and the extra delay in getting home would have made things worse for me. Danny must have found this out from another member of the crew (as I never wanted my problems to become and issue on the tour) and he insisted I go back as originally planned so as to not create more problems for myself and what I was going through. I did go back as planned and it made all the difference to me. He did this even though it meant proceeding ont he toru without a road manager.

These are the real life actions of Danny not visible on social media and should be taken into consideration with a lot more gravity than what is visible online

To conclude, I feel it would be a shame for Danny to receive harsh punishment by being judged for what is visible online and that he has a lot more to offer by being allowed to continue to prosper and set an example of how one can achieve their dream in this day and age. Is he perfect? no, but who is at 21, I know I wasnt and I cant guarantee that I would have been so down to earth to those around me after receiving so much money and fame, in such a short period of time at that age. Given the circumstances, I saw he manages it very well and and feel he should be given a chance by being guided and not punished by instruments of the state. I truly hope he is allowed to continue his career unhindered and that our paths will across again one day, as it was a pleasure working with him.

Stav Consolas  
Signature:   
Date: 10/15/2018

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Streetlife International GmbH  
Sophie Keszler



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E: [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

We, Streetlife International GmbH, booked Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine' as a headliner for our HYPE festival in August. The negotiations in advance with him and his management ran smoothly without any problems.

During the festival, we were very pleased with Daniel Hernandez as he appeared to his performance on time, complied with all agreements and didn't misbehave at any time.

After his concert he showed himself very patient towards his fans, took photos and gave autographs. As agreed before, he gave interviews and was very friendly and approachable to everyone.

It was a pleasure to work with Daniel Hernandez and we're looking forward booking him for our upcoming events.

Signature:

Date: 12.10.2018



**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Tyrone Derryl Clay  


To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

I have met Tekashi and his Team in Barcelona for a Show that he performed there and been following the tour because the Energy is real positive and good when he performs

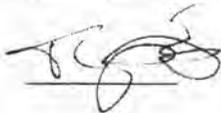
Tekashi 6ix9ine is a very generaous guy who loves his fans. I remember on his Tour ealier this year, a Fan was pressed against the fence in the Front row. The Fans pressed her so hard that she almost went unconcious. So Danny stopped the Show and went down to the fence personally with his security to come to the girls rescue. He also doesnt hesitate to go out of his way to help the less fortuneted random people on the Streets to make sure they get food to eat or have a few dollars to make it through the day.

This Gangster persona that People are trying to put on him is totally overrated as far as I can tell. He is just a Kid who likes to do music, loves Life and loves to play Soccer. There is not one thing I can say about him and I would also be available to share my experience in court under oath if need be.

Thank you for your time.

Tyrone Derryl Clay

Signature:



Date: [mm/dd/yyyy]

15. 10. 2018



Renelio Perez  
Aarestrasse 34

Niedergösgen, 18.October. 2018

To whom it may concern:

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

We had a show with Daniel Hernandez (Tekashi) in the city of Zürich on July 1, 2018. Daniel Hernandez was very educated and professional. We are very happy with his visit in Zürich, which we are waiting with anxiety to have Sr, Hernandez back in our country. We work with pleasure and enjoy of his present.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY: Old Music Group

By: Renelio Perez

Its: CEO



**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Faruk Ay



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

I met Daniel Hernandez at a show the company I work for was co-organizing. It was on the 15th of September.

My experience with Daniel went very well. Before the show we spent some time together and had conversations with him before his performance. During that conversation I soon noticed that he was very intelligent. I could not even compare him as I know him from his videos and performances. That is clearly an act that he sets, what I think is normal for an artist.

Furthermore, I could see that he is a family man, considering he often talked about his daughter and girlfriend. He expressed that he missed them a bit and wanted to fly them over. In short, he came across as a sensible boy who certainly does not walk next to his shoes and thus actually builds his image on the question of the youth (gangster rapper).

Signature

Date: 10/16/2018

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Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'

Fabrice Lamproye



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

I met him last Summer as Promoter of Les Ardentes Festival in Liege Belgium

He spent two days in our city as he was to play the festival on July 6<sup>th</sup> and what I recall is that he was really curious about our history and asked to visit our old city center.

I also remember that he watched the soccer world cup along with other artists and members of our crew and that he specially enjoyed "Belgium vs Brazil" which was a highlight of the tournament!

His show was extremely energetic but always with a huge respect of his audience...

These are the words I can say about him, and I would be happy to invite him back to our festival.

Best regards,

Fabrice Lamproye

Date: October 15th, 2018



HR BOOKING GmbH | Hafenstrasse 49 | 68159 Mannheim | Germany

Mannheim, 16.10.2018

Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'

Micael Ghebrezgi  
[Redacted]

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.  
We have been doing various shows as promoter for Daniel in Europe and the Middle East.  
I have met him as a really openhearted person who stood out with his exceptional kind behavior to fans, his crew and partners.  
Most of our events take place in nightclubs, despite this fact, he is having a good time without drinking alcohol or taking drugs.

We are looking forward to working together with Daniel again soon.

Best Regards,

  
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Denmark  
Pernille M. Pedersen

To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

Working as a concert promoter in Denmark I contracted Daniel Hernandez for  
and Aarhus in September 2018.

Daniel was professional to work with. He managed to engage his fans with his  
mere presence. He was polite and easy to work with. Daniel Hernandez is who  
we wish him all the best in the future.

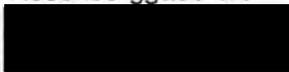
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Rosenborggade 1A



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10/19/2018

**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Marco Capacchietti



To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of Daniel Hernandez.

From a show we hosted in June 2018 at the Number One disco in Brescia, Italy, we had the chance to meet for the first time Daniel Hernandez.

We experienced and had the chance to know not only an incredible artist and live performer, but a person who is super sensible and extremely in love with his fans.

He took great care of all the people willing to meet him, have a photo with him, gather his attention.

He smiled to everybody in the club and gave an unbelievable memory that will last forever in the hearts of all the kids that attended the show.

We have been working with tons of artists in the past 10 years and Daniel has for sure been one of the best we get the chance to luckily get in touch with.

It will be a pleasure to work again with him in the future and all our team wishes all the best to him for his personal life and career.



Signature:

Date: 19th October 2018

**NUMBER ONE S.R.L.**

Via Provinciale, 1/1 - 25040 Corte Franca (BS)



**Experience with Daniel Hernandez 'Tekashi 6ix9ine'**

Zachris Sundell  
Head Promoter Live Nation Finland

To whom it may concern:

We had Tekashi 69 perform at Blockfest, the biggest Urban festival in Scandinavia, this summer. He was one of the most anticipated artists of the festival this summer. Tekashi 69 and his personnel were very professional, and it was a pleasure to work with them. We have only positive things to say about Tekashi 69 and his performance at Blockfest 2019.

Date: 10/19/2018

**Live Nation Finland**



Authorized Signature

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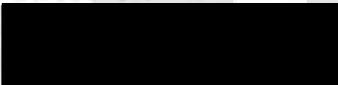
October 18, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

I have gotten to know Daniel Hernandez for the past 6 months. While it isn't a lengthy amount of time, I am encouraged and amazed by the transformation I have seen in such a short span of time. Working as Daniel's mentor has been fulfilling to not only him, but myself. I see his immense dedication to his family, rapidly growing work career, and a loving friend to those who are lucky enough to know him. The media enjoys portraying rap musicians as reckless members of society, but from what I have seen, Daniel has been the most charitable and giving individual. Most recently, Daniel fulfilled a wish for a terminally ill, six year old child. The sick child, Franklin Miranda, has a cancerous brain tumor that continues to grow and debilitate not only him, but also his family's mental and emotional state. One of Franklin's final wishes was to meet his favorite rapper, "6IX9INE", Daniel's stage name. Knowing the severity of the situation, Daniel dropped everything with little to no notice, to meet Franklin and his family. Upon walking into the family's home, Daniel was overwhelmed with love and compassion. He wanted to do anything and everything to help Franklin and his family. Daniel paid the families rent for a full year so they did not have to worry about finances and are able to focus on their beloved son. As Daniel spent more time with Franklin, he was moved to give the boy the first ring he ever bought from his earnings as a rapper. The ring meant nothing to him at that moment and all he wanted to do was bring a smile to Franklins face. Not only did Daniel give monetarily, he gave the family hope. Hope that even in the darkest of times, there are good people in the world who are willing to help and lift the burden of everyday life. Daniel could've easily sent a check and a signed picture but he gave his time. Time to sit and get to know the family and their plight with Franklin's health scares. A few hours of distraction for a family who's life is surrounded by the understanding their son will be gone before them. I don't know many people who would give every resource they have for strangers. I have witnessed Daniel help countless of homeless citizens. He has bought them food, clothes and even just sat and prayed for a turnaround from their situation. Daniel and I are currently planning a Christmas wish list for children who spend the majority of their time at Tomorrow's Children at Hackensack Medical Center in Hackensack, NJ. Tomorrow's Children is a place for children with cancer to receive medical treatment for their disease. While many judge Daniel by his appearance, music, tattoos and prior offenses, he has committed his life to making a change in people's lives. Please take into account Daniel is just 22 years old. He did not grow up in a productive environment but is trying to become the best person he can be and not fall into the trap and stigma. He is working hard not only for himself but also for his family. He is using his platform to aide others and change the lives of those around him. As a decorated Police Officer for the last 19 years at the Union City Police Department, I have been an

advocate for underprivileged children and the needy. I have hosted many fundraisers for many causes such as Susan G Komen Foundation, Tomorrow's Children and LEAD, to name a few. I have most recently won a Life Saving award and Humanitarian award by the Salvadorian Community Organization. I myself faced trials and adversity as a child growing up in public housing and the streets. Like Daniel, I turned my trials into triumph. It is possible with a positive support system to transform your life. I hope to be a positive influence on Daniel's life and show him we don't all have to end up on the other side of the law. Many other rappers have come before him and were seen as delinquents and found themselves in trouble with the law. Those rappers include Dr. Dre, Ice Cube, and Ice Tea. All of those men went through the growing pains they needed to go through in order to become the law abiding, businessmen they are today. Those men are productive members of society and owners of multi-million dollar companies that provide thousands of jobs and money back into our economy. I know Daniel will be among their ranks if he is given the chance to be. Everyone goes through times where they are tested but I believe its how you grow and learn from your adversities that makes all the difference. I see that growth today and I have faith in Daniel that he will continue to grow and thrive to be the person I know he is meant to be.

Respectfully Yours

Carlos Pina  


Honorable Paul Englemayer  
United States District Court Judge  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
[REDACTED]

October 11, 2019

Your Honor,

I hope this email finds your honor well. It is with great humility and sadness that I writing you this letter. My name is Elis Pacheco son of Johnny Pacheco, the Latin musician who has been recognized as the founding father of Salsa Music, a multiple Grammy Award Winner, who was awarded the Bobby Capó Lifetime Achievement Award, by New York Governor, George Pataki. We have a foundation called The Johnny Pacheco Scholarship Fund to help musically inclined students get into college. It is my understanding that in the ensuing days you will be making a ruling on the sentence of Daniel Hernandez. I relish this opportunity to give your honor from my perspective, a better understanding of who actually stands before the court.

The Pacheco family is amongst many families with charities who've had the opportunity to know Daniel well and become very friendly to the point where he looks up to myself as an uncle. We met Daniel in 2016, when he asked for guidance on building his brand and creating relationships in the community where he can give back, specifically to kids in his neighborhood where he grew up. Like his 6ix9ine brand, Daniel is hands-on and likes to forge a one on one connection with people. Knowing Daniel's circumstances with his initial charge with a minor, we suggested aligning himself with local reputable charities and making a difference which he did. He's actually a Bronze sponsor for the ten-year gala of a charity we support called The Cristian Rivera Foundation. While filing a video in our native country, Dominican Republic, Daniel went to poorest town, and blessed the community.

Daniel has a zest for life and a passion that could never be deterred. That unwavering belief in himself and tenacity has led Daniel to be a very successful rapper. Daniel's personality is infectious and he's loyal to his core, which I believe is a large part of the current case that stands before the court.

I've spoken to Daniel at great lengths to distance himself from those elements that aren't conducive to evolving as a person and an artist. The all to heard about "Peer Pressure" is truly toxic and have both been parts of his current issue. Those unsavory characters have all been replaced with mature spiritual mentors whom the court will know and respect. We are hopeful that your honor will give Mr. Hernandez time served so these mentors the ability to continue keeping Danny on his trajectory to be a role model the court expects.

Respectfully yours,



Elis Pacheco

October 18, 2018

Daniel Hernandez has been signed to this record label, 'TenThousand Projects, LLC.', since July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017, and during this period he has maintained regular, daily communication with various employees of this company. In addition to his unparalleled creative ability, he has proven to be a reliable partner, a hard worker and an inspiration to everyone at our company.

Daniel rose from poverty to fame at the young age of 20 years old, when he was still developing as a young adult. Despite this disruption and the overwhelming amount of external pressures that come with his new position in life as a global superstar, Daniel has never once failed to treat every employee of TenThousand Projects with the utmost respect and gratitude.

Daniel is a highly intelligent individual who has used his intellectual and creative energy to fashion a public persona, as displayed on social media platforms, such as Instagram. This public character was created with the intent of gaining a loyal audience who will support his music career by streaming every song, album, or video release. And while some may see this quest for fame as highly strategic, one should be reminded that Daniel's bombastic and dramatic public persona has been manufactured to function as a cultural tool, promoting his charitable actions.

He has been a consistent champion of the poor. On March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Daniel visited his old high school, where he gave both a inspirational speech and \$10,000 in support of the students' futures. Just over one month later, on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Daniel visited the slums of Puerto Rico, where he handed out a cash total of \$30,000 to the homeless. On June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Daniel gave money to select residents of Chicago, who faced extreme poverty and financial distress. One day after being kidnapped, robbed and assaulted, Daniel left hospital on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, to hand out money to kids in his hometown, Brooklyn. The next day, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Daniel publicly announced he would donate a percentage of his earnings from his hit single, 'FEFE', to charity. On August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Daniel was in Mexico visiting his maternal grandmother and decided to visit the school his mother attended in order to hand out money to over 25 students. More recently, on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, Daniel worked with 'Make A Wish Foundation' to make the dreams of 7-year-old Franklin, suffering from terminal brain cancer, come true. Not only did Daniel give Franklin and his family money, but he gave Franklin the first diamond ring he ever purchased with the belief that the ring would bless Franklin with the same luck it brought Daniel in his career.

As Daniel continues to mature, it is our belief that his charitable propensity will continue both in capacity and in a way that can help even more people around the world.

It has been our experience, that notwithstanding the public persona that Daniel has created and promoted, he is a grounded individual who is focused simultaneously on his career as a successful global artist, as well as on the thousands of children he has since encountered who come from a similar background as he. We believe wholeheartedly that Daniel Hernandez is of good character and will continue to help those around him.

Sincerely,

TenThousand Projects, LLC.



**SURVIVE TO THRIVE GLOBAL**  
ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Honorable Felicia Mennin  
New York State Supreme Court

October 13<sup>th</sup> 2018

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Your honor,

If I may take a moment of the court's time to provide you with what I feel is such a significant relationship that was formed between our charity Survive To Thrive Global and Daniel Hernandez.

Survive To Thrive Global is a foundation that was set up to educate, embrace and empower victims and potential victims of Domestic Violence.

Upon being introduced to Daniel, we went over in great detail the circumstances of his case from 2015 and were able to draw parallels and identify how susceptible young girls like the victim in Daniel's case, dramatically increase their odds of becoming victims of domestic abuse.

Daniel was able to see firsthand how patterns form and being able to speak to these young women, as well as young men, make the difference in breaking that chain.

Daniel gave his word that he will use his platform to speak to forums that reach both potential victims and potential violators. It is so important that this initiative flourishes because it will change lives.

We have already began our mission to do our outreach and have gotten together in the recent weeks to strategize and conduct a group speak.

Daniel is in such an amazing position where he can make a huge impact and touch entire communities worldwide. Although I do know the court has an enormous decision to make in the ensuing days, we are all hopeful, your honor will have had the opportunity to see what Daniel has done in his efforts to empower and enlighten; He has so much value to contribute to society .

Respectfully yours,

*Chrissy Monroe*

FOUNDER  
Survive To Thrive Global

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**L.O.T.B.M (Leaders Of Tomorrow Brooklyn Ministry)**

**Bishop Lamor M. Whitehead**

**October 18, 2018**

**Greetings, Honorable Judge:**

***LOTBM is a vibrant Ministry organization. We Serve as a mentoring and development ministry that enriches lives, emboldens confidence and expands options of our youth/adults by building strong leaders in both the classrooms and in our communities.***

*We are committed to providing educational opportunities, mentoring, athletic training, and opportunities to travel abroad to learn about other cultures. We measure our progress against five criteria, which indicate to us that the community direction has been changed:*

- 1. Connection to faith.*
- 2. Connection to a caring adult and a positive peer group.*
- 3. Commitment to graduating, and a plan for the future.*
- 4. The importance of Forgiveness*
- 5. The importance of Love.*

*At LOTBM, we believe that cultivating our youth's sense of empowerment and connectedness is the key to creating positive change in our communities.*

I have met with Mr. Daniel Hernandez and he has committed to work with myself and the church on several initiatives to rehabilitate our community. The initiatives consist: Save Brooklyn Initiatives, Healing The Land Initiatives, Hospital initiatives, Cooking Initiatives, New York Police Department Initiative, Google Initiatives, Brooklyn Chambers Of Commerce Initiatives, Record Label Initiatives, B.E.T/ Television Initiatives for my Church Leaders of Tomorrow Brooklyn Ministry . We were mutually concerned about the at risk youth of our community and the crimes often committed by these forgotten youth. Leaders Of Tomorrow Brooklyn Ministry decided to create these Initiative for the youth of our community. Years ago, students learned basic life skills and they were mandatory within our school system. Unfortunately due to budget cuts in New York City, these vital class that many from my generation have fond memories of has been removed from the curriculum. Through these initiative we intend to introduce youth to often overlooked career paths. As we know, the new world have many industries which encompasses various careers and occupations which they will be introduced to through our program.

Alternatively, if these students decide to forego a career in these industry, we have achieved the goal of educating these youth about careers and choices which they can extend to their families and combat the disparity of poor habits amongst many low income households. Saving Brooklyn Initiatives encompasses a unit of careers and life changing skills that will give our youth the independence ability to create righteous decision.

The Save Brooklyn Initiatives encompass a multifaceted reconstruction system to rehabilitate the minds of our youth of Brooklyn. These initiatives consist of Healing the land Initiative, Google Initiative, Chambers Of Commerce Initiative, New York Police Department Initiative, Hospital Initiative, Record label Initiative, Cooking Initiative and B.E.T Black Entertainment Television Initiative.

When we look at Healing the land initiative this embodied network teaches our young people on healthy eating. We will establish a ideology to understand why eating healthy and not doing drugs is very important. Eating healthy will allow our children to understand the value of health and once they know the value of their health they will know the destruction of drugs and being addicted to drugs and bad eating habits.

The Google Initiative is very important because it will establish a change of mine for the young generation. We want to teach them how to code, create applications weather it's the phone or the computer. We also want to encourage our young people that they can be and will be computer savvy. Therefore under the Google initiative it will train them how to use computers as well.

When we look at the Brooklyn Chambers Of Commerce initiative encompass how to write resumes, the importance and value of showing employers why you should be hired and it will help our young people categorize all of the work that they have done. This initiative also teaches our young generation how important good credit is and how important bank account are. We will teach them how to keep their credit excellent, what Credit is all about and how to maintain a bank account and save money so therefore they can be a product of our environment to reproduce greatness and have a negative influence on our culture and community.

The NYPD initiative shows from A-to-Z how the police department work. In our community a lot of times our African-American and Hispanic youth generation unfortunately sees the precinct as a negative inference. We will establish that the NYPD actually is our friend by showing them what a regular police officer day to day today operations and how they protect our community .

Hospital initiative will enlighten and enrich our youth on what goes on in the hospital and they will be able to shadow different doctors. Maybe one of our up-and-coming youth leaders would like to be an ophthalmologist, Radiologist or Pediatrician, They will have the privilege to shadow these doctors and understand what their duties and responsibilities are .

*Record label initiative our youth will be able to go into studios to see what the engineer job duties are and also see the editing process. They will learn and understand what artist development is all about behind the scenes of the Record label, the execs and what they do.*

*Cooking initiative is very important, they have taking home economics out of our classes due to New York City budget cuts however children will be able to shadow Chefs at different restaurants so that they can understand the beauty of cooking and it can be a career.*

*Justice System Initiative where that our youth will be afforded the opportunity to meet judges and lawyers to understand the justice system so therefore we will teach our youth how to abide by the law and not against it.*

*Lastly we have B.E.T initiative Black entertainment television network, and we will bring our youth on the set of different TV shows with celebrity actresses and actors, and also music celebrities to meet them greet them get autographs however more importantly understand the operations and duties of the cameraman, technicians and producers do, so therefore this can be very influential to our youth a great career opportunity. (Please see Attachments To All Initiatives In Detail)*

I have known Mr. Daniel Hernandez to be a hard working gentlemen who cares dearly about his community. Mr. Daniel Hernandez is a huge asset to our community. Additionally, this man plays the role as a father to a 2 year old daughter, Son and Brother in his household. The choice he has made to be a leader of his family demonstrates the immense responsibility and commitment he has even in his private life. As we know, community service begins at home and this upstanding gentleman has pledged to begin the work of changing his community beginning with the persons closest to him. Mr. Daniel Hernandez has been working with my organization for some time now and we have made a great impact in the community. We as the church of Leaders Of Tomorrow Brooklyn Ministry Stand with Mr. Hernandez and whatever this ministry can do to help Mr. Hernandez we are here. Mr. Hernandez has committed to community service with this ministry and has pledged to continue the work with this ministry to change the community with at large. Mr. Daniel Hernandez has recently been awarded by his Bishop Lamor M. Whitehead , Senator Jesse Hamilton 20<sup>th</sup> District and Assembly Women Latrice M. Walker 55<sup>th</sup> District ( Please See Attached) for all the work he has done in the community and his achievements in his career.

I pray the court will allow him the opportunity to continue the amazing work he has begun. Mr. Daniel Hernandez is vital to the well being of his family and our community at large. Please see attached all initiative That Mr. Hernandez is involved in. These initiatives are the priority in the restoration of our community. I Presiding Bishop Lamor M. Whitehead of Leaders Of Tomorrow International Churches Humbly ask the court through prayer that your Honor extend a good behavior condition and restore Mr. Hernandez back to his family, his church and his community.

We accept this task as the church for Mr. Daniel Hernandez in his repentance and restoration with God and the community.

Sincerely,

*Bishop Lamar M. Mitchell*

*Presiding Prelate*

**Leaders Of Tomorrow International Churches**

**Leaders Of Tomorrow Brooklyn Ministry**

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LAW FIRM

Law Offices of Robert A. Celestin

November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019

By hand

**HON. PAUL A. ENGELMAYER**

Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse

**RE: DANIEL HERNANDEZ p/k/a "TEKASHI 69" / CHARACTER WITNESS LETTER**

Your Honor,

I have been Mr. Hernandez 's entertainment attorney since 2017 and negotiated his first recording contract with an independent label named "TenThousand Projects , LLC" (formerly known as "Strainge Entertainment , LLC").

Since then, Mr. Hernandez has catapulted to international fame as a rapper by utilizing, among other things, social media to create "Tekashi 69", an outsized and colorful personality who has energized legions of hip-hop fans with his brashness and braggadocio.

However, it's important to distinguish between the character of Mr. Hernandez, who's a devoted father of a 3-year-old daughter, and the character of his rap persona - " Tekashi 69".

Rap, a music genre that is now the new "rock and roll" of this generation has rewarded, from its inception, outrageous and dramatic personalities.

Although presently incarcerated, there is hardly a recording artist as outrageous and dramatic as Tekashi 69!

But, Mr. Hernandez, in his personal life, is quite the opposite of his professional alter-ego.

In my regular interactions with Mr. Hernandez, I have known him to be a very sensitive, caring and altruistic individual.

Having been very poor himself, he empathizes with the poor and his social media account, most notably Instagram, is replete with postings of his generosity not only to young kids in his old neighborhood in Brooklyn but also kids in his ancestral country of Mexico.

For example, and prior to his incarceration, he visited a young girl in Brooklyn suffering from cancer whose only wish was to meet her idol "Tekashi 69". Not only did he meet with her and her family, he took her shopping! She was ecstatic and talks about it to this day! This is just one

of many examples of the decent human being I know Mr. Hernandez to be.

And as Tekashi 69, his music has been incredibly successful with both of his albums each selling in excess of one (1) million units (i.e., both albums went "platinum" in music industry lingo). In addition, eight (8) single recordings released from the albums have each gone gold (i.e., sales in excess of 500,000 units) or platinum.

As a result, I was able to renegotiate the terms of his recording agreement with TenThousand Projects, LLC for his next album project.

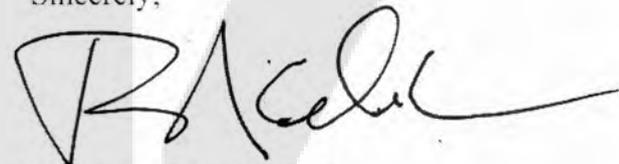
Your Honor, if you see fit to release my client, I can assure you that his days will be spent in the recording studio recording music for his new album.

Also, earlier this year, Mr. Hernandez won an award from the performance rights organization, BMI, for the Most Performed 35 songs in 2018!

In closing, Mr. Hernandez is a good and decent human being who I know is extremely remorseful for the actions that have led to his incarceration and is very eager to resume his recording career and become a productive citizen.

I pray that his character will not be confused with or judged by that of his alter-ego and that you give him the opportunity to resume his career.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Celestin, Esq.

cc: Dawn M. Florio, Esq. (via email)  
Lance Lazzaro, Esq. (via email)

Hon. Paul A.Engelmayer  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse

**I wrote this letter in Dutch and translated in to the best English I could deliver.**

Dear Judge Engelmayer,

My Name is Jawuz Akcay (aka Jozef Wannoo) born and raised in Hengelo, the Netherlands. I am the head agent of J.Noah booking agency based in the Netherlands. I would like to write this so that hopefully you will understand how I experienced Daniel Hernandez during our European Tours, what we did with Tekashi69 aka Daniel Hernandez. Before I start, I would like to let you know who I am and where I come from.

I come from a family of 5 brothers and 4 sisters and I am the 7th child of my parents.

My parents are Syrian Orthodox (also called Aramean see website link on <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arameans> ) and have fled from Turkey to the Netherlands as refugees and have had a chance to live their lives in the Netherlands.

I had a great childhood and especially my father was my hero, when my father was alive everything was fine. I went to Have school class 4 (Higher General Secondary Education) in Hengelo and was very good at learning and sports (I played at Juliana 32 soccer team) and had many friends at school and out of school and I knew exactly what I wanted in my life.

Studying (preferably becoming a pilot) and something else in business economics (I was very good at Maths A and B and Commercial Sciences and Law. And Marrying my childhood sweetheart Elizabeth. I knew exactly what I wanted and please don't forget my father was everything to me. I helped our family restaurant before school with (cleaning the store) and after school I work in the kitchen and did my own things (I had plenty of energy) and got good grades at school. One day we had the Pooling finals at school and during this competition, I broke my cue and went home to borrow my brothers cue and cycled home I see an ambulance and walk inside and hear that my father has died. At that moment my life collapses (I have also seen my Grandfather die, before my years and I was 12 years old, I loved listening to the stories of my grandfather had about where we originally came from) and now my father "my hero" has died, I cried for days and found no comfort! It wasn't going well with me and I only had one friend (Robert Alkan) who was dear to me at school and he gave me strength and step by step I got better. Robert loved Pooling and I was good at Pooling, so we both loved this game and he went to Vwo school exam class and I went to Havo class 4, so I laughed a lot and did everything together. I went to Havo class 5 and he to Groningen to study Dutch Law, but weekends we always saw each other when he came to Hengelo with his parents.

Before my exam, my brother had started an restaurant and had an opening (April 5, 1995) and that same day his cousin David Mutlu also had his birthday, which was his birthday in at Poolcentrum in Hengelo. I couldn't go to the birthday myself because I had to come along and help with the opening of my brother's restaurant, so could not attend the birthday. Robert and I agreed to pool together the next day. I woke up the next day and my mother told me that someone had died from Family

Alkan and at that moment I did not know who it was. Upon arrival at our syrian Orthodox Church in Hengelo I saw a large photo of my best comrade Robert Alkan and on that moment everything flashed through me and could not grasp this. We had plans for the future, because he was one of the best in his class at the university. This was the turning point in my life that affected my life. I had lost all my loved ones. My favorite aunt at the age of 10, my Grandfather at the age of 12, my Father "my Hero" and now my best comrade). After the death of my father I also had no good relationship with my brothers because they were always angry that I was doing well and my father always told everyone how proud he was of me, so I felt completely hopeless I failed my school exam (these were 1 week later after the death of my best comrade) I could not concentrate and this while I had good grades for the exam all sufficiently thick. Re-exam I had to get a 4 for German and I did not succeed again. During this summer I had my brothers on my skin and had to work hard for them and had a fight with them and my own brothers teasing me and this while I lost a bit of need and needed someone in my life and even my childhood love I could not come along daily and everything had to be secretly because of our faith. I felt uncomfortable at home and got my HAVO diploma the following year and went to register in Arnhem (Markus Verbeek College) wanted to get my HBO diploma in 2 years. Because I didn't get any help from my own brothers and even when I was working I didn't get paid for them and started my misery and at one point I was so tired and 18 years old and then I started living on my own. I stopped training in Arnhem because it was too expensive for me.

I lived alone and studied in Enschede at the Admiraal Hbo (business economics). I could not handle it in terms of money despite studying and working and living on my own.

I then brought someone into my house to reduce costs and this was my baddest choice ever, because of this I ended up in the wrong environment. I saw that this boy who lived with me didn't work and slept all day and had the best clothes and eat out every day. I did not get it !!!!! I could not pay my college money and also my fixed costs (rent, gas, water, electricity etc ... ) I had built up debts and could not pay the rent. There was then seized I have never gone to my brothers to ask for help because I did not have a good relationship with them. I went to my oldest sister (MY REAL MOTHER) and could live there. This went wrong because her husband had her own restaurant and came to work there (so school-leaver) and worked every day until 4 o'clock for a wage with which you cannot pay your debt even for 5 years! At one point I saw the boy who lived with me, and came to eat at my brother-in-law's restaurant and told me what he was doing and I bale that day, that I had to earn extra money and this has cost me life more than 10 years, despite I made a lot of money! I was fed up with that life and went to my brother, who is a builder At the time, the company had to ask for work (I no longer wanted that life). He gave me work and had to prove my worth and I did that too.

I met my wife Denisa Pestova, and I was hopelessly in love (my brother was against this relationship because she is Slovakian and not of our own kind) By the way, at the moment I had no ties with crime, had left everything behind, but had given my contacts to someone else. My brother and I no longer talked to each other despite working together, but emailed only during work and at one point Denisa turned out to be pregnant with our second child. I was so happy with my child born on May 23, 2009 (Jennifer "my saving Engel "Really happy again. But I will never forget the day, June 9, 2009, there was a raid at my home and was taken by Police and I did not know why at that moment !!! Eventually I was extradited to Germany and arrived in 'Huis' I was scared and regretted that I was in jail and missed Denisa and Nikolas, and my daughter who was only 16 days old when I got stuck, I learned a lot in prison and finally accepted and only then saw what I traded was bad and I harmed others I thank God and I am even happy that I ended up in prison. I became the boy again when my father lived. I came out of prison and I registered with Denisa. I had no contact with any of my family during my imprisonment, only my eldest brother "Konstantijn", who visited me with my wife Denisa

once a month in prison in Germany) After a few years I was transferred to The Netherlands to get out of there. I was soon released with an ankle strap and had to report me every day in Arnhem "Ptc Arnhem". I was happy back home with my family. I was allowed to finish my trajectory in Hengelo for the last 3 months. One day a nephew came to tell me that my brother's daughter was taken by gigolo and sold as a whore and because of this I got back to jail, but not until this day agree, but accepted. The lawsuit lasted until 2018 and in the end I had to do a 240-hour community service. My relationship suffered and argued every day and even took the step to leave the house because my children did not want to suffer trauma from this. I had a hard time and I didn't know what to do because you didn't get a job because of my criminal record. I came across a friend in 2016 who was into music (his company was then called Hiphopworld). I saw potential in his vision. I slept in the office and worked day and night (I want to live a better life for my children and leave something good for them)

My son Nikolas came to me one day and said "Dad you have to do Tekashi69 European Tour" and I looked at his profile of Tekashi69 and told me my son, never mind, who wants to see him in his rainbow colored hair. This is maybe went on for 2 weeks. My son is a sweet boy and never asks me anything, so at a certain point I approached MTA booking and made a sacrifice for 10 shows. I received an e-mail that the offerings had been accepted, but the management (on that moment I thought 'Will Cornish' was the manager) wanted to do it in June 2018 (and this email was in late April 2018). Normally I would never do it, because I need at least 3 months to promote shows. My son believed in it and that's why I accepted the deal and made contracts. We had to work day and night because we didn't even have 6 weeks before the first show. We arranged work permits for the United Kingdom and everything that was needed. Air travel, hotel ground transport, marketing etc ...

Our Tour Manager Stav and our production team went to London, because there was our first show. Tekashi69 would come to London. Tekashi69 did not enter the country despite all the papers being done. In the evening my Tour Manager called me that Tekashi69 was put on the plane to Brussels. I then called my partner and then drove to Brussels (3 hours from my house). His plane landed at 6 am and we drove away at 2:30 am. I never went to shows, because I work in Urban music, but am not a fan of this rap music. We picked him up and went to the Hotel in Brussels (Tekashi69 was very disappointed and wanted to do the show for his fans and us) I told him that it was impossible even though I would lose a lot of money with this. His next show was in Brussels in 3 days, because all shows in the Uk were canceled. I stayed with him these days. In the beginning I had a very wrong image of him (with his tattoos and his type of music). He was a shy boy and radiated a lot of energy which attracted me a lot. After that I also went to Amsterdam (after Brussels) to attend our show there. Meet and Greets were also sold here. Tekashi69 wanted the money from these Meet N greets and explained to me what his previous manager had done and understood it and paid it in cash. normally agreed with Will Cornish everything was transferred via bank after it happened ).

I have never experienced anything like that (so much power and a lot of love for his fans). This was a very nice experience, but the next day I said goodbye to Daniel Hernandez/Tekashi69 and went home and continued their European Tour. The day after they had a show in Frankfurt, Germany they would fly to Berlin (because I wasn't able to book a business flight in the morning and all coaches had to fly so that they arrived in Berlin on time and this was agreed with Will Cornish) I was called by "Shotti" and shouted at me and was angry because his artist doesn't have a business flight and now I had to book business for the entire crew because otherwise the whole tour would not take place. I was confused and called Will Cornish and told him this and he said please do what Shotti asks and I will pay you back these flights. I booked the flights, but did not understand who Shotti was, but I was angry with this man because how he screamed and am a father of 3 children. Stav our tour manager

called me and could not handle what had happened in Berlin and told me he wanted to fly back home (Greece). I had to make the decision to do the rest of the Tour myself as the Tour manager and went to Belfort France to do the festival in and wanted to talk to Shotti personally, but did not know that a flight back to New York had already been booked for Shotti. I acted as Tour Manager with his crew and got to know them all. Daniel Hernandez/Tekashi 6ix9ine's best friends 'Andrew Green' and 'Will Asher' and they were very happy that Shotti was gone, but I did not understand everything (I heard something from Trey Way and that they were afraid of these guys. Will and Andrew did not want to hang around these guys because they were afraid of them 'Trey Way') and was more busy helping these young boys prepare for show and get up on time. We stayed in Cyprus for 2 days and there I saw Tekashi69 not as Tekashi69, but as Danny. A sweet boy who just wanted to swim and noticed that he didn't have this in his youth. We still had 1 festival and show to do after Cyprus and I had booked flights to Greece to enjoy 3 days before the final shows were done. Before the show in Cyprus I spoke to Danny on the phone all the time and he was restless. Danny came to me and said please I have to go to New York, so I arranged everything that he could fly after the show and would then come back to the Netherlands to do the festival. I brought him to the airport alone and in the car he unpacks everything and starts giving me the cash and his personal property and gave it to Andrew. I didn't understand it. When he had to go through customs we just cuddled and said see you in Amsterdam, but at that moment I felt that Danny was scared.

I found out the next day because he was arrested at JFK Airport. I did not know what would happen and whether he was released on time to come to the Netherlands and flew to Greece with the rest of the crew and I had some nice days with them and learned more about what was going on with Danny. Danny was released that weekend, but couldn't be on time for the last 2 shows. After Greece, I booked his crew flights to New York and said goodbye. I did not speak to Danny but I did have a few festivals with him in August and I was already busy doing it again in September in Europe because there was a lot of demand for Tekashi69. During his festival, our Tour Manager David called me to talk to me. I spoke to him about the internship in Helsinki and explained to him that he could do this festival because another artist had canceled. He understood me and did the festival. I had to return to America for another show and would be the last festival, but I had to be there as Tour Manager because otherwise he wouldn't do it. I even know that I have changed my vacation with my family so that I could be on time for the other festivals. We met in Dusseldorf, Germany and Shotti was not here. Danny asked me clarification here because of contracts and told me something about Shotti which I did not understand at the time, because he had come here with security guards called "Shadow" and "Sammy" and another DJ (DJ Punch) and did not understand why security officers were needed in Europe.

I did the shows and he would do Made in America on September 1, 2018 and then he would come back to Europe on September 4 to do a 12-day Tour, which was agreed with Will Cornish. I flew September 4 to Stockholm, Sweden to do our first show. I was called, Tekashi69 was not on the plane to Europe and no one would come. I called Will Cornish and asked for explanation. I have Justin Kobay (business manager Tekashi69) and his entertainment lawyer "Bob Celestin" and explained that promoters wanted to sue him, but because I did not want that, something had to be arranged, but none of these 3 people could or would not help me so that Tekashi69 was not charged and still come to Europe. I called Steve (Mta booking and asked how I could reach Danny). I then flew to New York to speak to his lawyer. I had the number of his friends Andrew and Will, but they didn't know where he was and told me that they would rather not go to him in New York because of Trey Way. I flew to New York and I ended up with Shotti, because nobody could help me. Shotti brought me to Danny in a hotel in Manhattan. Here I found out that Danny had already told Will Cornish, that he could not come because he had obligations. His album had to be ready and he had a lawsuit that I

knew nothing about. I had good business relations with him, but not privately (I knew almost nothing about him and only heard some things) I talked and explained what damage it would cause me and him. After a good conversation with Danny he said ok, but that he had to leave first and that he would come in a few days and that the first missed shows had to be moved. I arranged everything and then flew to Moscow a few days later to start his Tour. During this Tour I talked to him and got to know him better in private. He did his shows and was scared to go to jail because of the Manhattan case.

I started to see this Danny as my son and he had a lot of love for me. I didn't forget that he came to Europe personally for me so that the promoters wouldn't be able to sue me for an breach of the performance-agreement. During this Tour he was in a lot of pain and was afraid to go to jail for 3 years (I didn't understand what his lawyers were doing and I even felt that the publicity and attention was more important for them, than Danny ,which made me angry .I wanted to help him, but I did not know exactly how, I met Elis from New York at the show we had with Tekashi69 in Ibiza, Spain and spoke to him regularly and asked if he could help Danny with an lawyer. Elis introduced me to Dawn Florian (now Danny's Lawyer) and Danny didn't want to fly to New York after the last European show. I did talk to him that he had to go, because you don't want to run away all your life from a problem. He wanted to meet Arjan Robben, Danny told me he was a big fan of him. (Dutch professional soccer who plays for Bayern Munich). I arranged through friends that we could come to this soccer club and meet all the players.

I booked several time flights to New York for the crew, but then Danny said after not wanting to go. I'm going tomorrow. I felt very sorry for Danny. I see him as my own son, I didn't want to take the join away we had all the time, because he had to go to jail for three years. In his head he was very stressed. I didn't force him. because I knew exactly how he felt. I even arranged a show for him in Dubai a show and we flew to there! During our stay in Dubai, I gave him advice and we became even more closer with each other. During our stay in Dubai, i knew that Danny did not want anything to do with Shotti and rather wanted to get away from him and that he was not allowed to fix anything in terms of shows or even money.

I had a lot of arguments with my wife Denisa, because I had been away for more than a month, because I felt sorry for Danny and didn't want to leave him and I wanted to support him mentally on every part i could.

My wife and my children missed me, I decided to go home. We had dinner together in the restaurant and when we walked to the elevator of the hotel. I told Danny that I had booked my flight back to home .I would go to the airport in an hour. I could tell from his eyes, that he could almost cry, but I could do nothing else because I didn't want to lose my family. I arrived at the airport and wanted to check in and grabbed my purse to grab my passport and saw that I had Danny's passport and credit card, (Shadow "the security guard" had previously left to America from Dubai and handed it to me). I tried to reach someone from his friends to pick-up his passport and credit card at the airport, but I couldn't reach nobody. I called my wife and told me what had happened to me. I told her God brought Danny into my life and this was just a sign .I ask her not to be angry and I had to go back to him. I leaved the airport and arrived at the hotel where we stayed. Danny was very happy to see me. He also promised me that he would go to New York and that I should go with him .I told him after he goes to New York I would go to the Netherlands, but Danny begged me to come to NEW YORK! I had my whole family fly over to America and assisted him during the legal proceedings, but after the Manhattan case Danny got PROHOBATIOIN and we were all happy. My family was in Orlando (I HAD ROUND FLIGHT ORLANDO – NEW YORK ONLY TO BE A SUPPORT AT the lawsuit) I talked a little bit with Dawn Florian OUTISIDE AFTER THE LAWSUIT and explained that I GO back to Orlando. I had not

spoken to Danny myself, but on the way to the airport I was called by Danny and invited me. First he had dinner with Elliot Grainge, his label boss. He wanted to introduce us to each other, because Eliot and I had not become friends during the European Tour. After that we would go to his house to celebrate his daughter's birthday. I was on my way and was called that there was shooting and not to go there. I flew BACK to Orlando and then to House with my family. I was working on a new European Tour in January 2019 for 18 shows and had an endorsement deal for Danny. I myself flew to Los Angeles to discuss these matters with him. I discussed that with him, even though Shotti said he could do it. I stayed 2 days and everything was fixed with Danny and he also posted it on his instagram the first 5 shows in Europe and the rest would followed up. One day Danny phoned me through Sammy (security guard) and told me he was done with Mta booking and shotti etc ... and wanted to continue working only with me, but I had to break my business relationship with Mta and Shotti.

I have seen and heard a lot and had a lot of confusions that I did not understand, but I have experienced a few things. 'Tekashi69' is an image that is normal in rap scene and everyone has big talk and must look tough and look like a gangster because otherwise you don't become popular! It was more an act. Danny loves music and goes on an internship and is one of the best entertainers and marketeers in the world.

From my own experience and everything I can puzzle that Danny is just a boy who wanted to belong to something. I lost my father and so did Danny (we were both young and this was a impact for us both) and made the wrong choices in our lives .I know how he feels now he is in jail , but I know one thing for sure. Danny is a sweet boy, who only needs good supervision, I have a lot seen with his own eyes who he is and can tell you that I respect him and have a lot of love for him. I know he also made mistakes. He has been Trey way because of his image and in the end he was to deep and didn't know a way back. I assisted him in Europe and saw only a lovely boy who treated everyone well and all organizers and people who came into contact with him in Europe will confirm this. I can tell you that he made money, but not so much for him. He loved shoes and his jewelry (you must have that as a rapper, otherwise you will not be seen as "THE RAPPER" Image. I have seen that he saw a roaming family sleeping in the street in Brussels (woman with 3 young children from Romania ) and Danny was surprised and could not believe that this was also in Europe and walked over to this family and pressed a pack of money in her hand and told that she could use this to get a better life Secondly he was always polite to organizers and did his thing and gave everything to the fans. If we were walking somewhere in town, he was always ready for pictures with fans or chat (and not just one, but hundreds). Third, always booked business class for him and to Dubai (with emirates) and just came to sit with us at the coach. he did not attach much value to money! I even went to H&M with him to buy his suit that he wore in his court case. I can continue endlessly what I experienced with him, but then I write another 100 extra page's. I have written this long letter so that you understand me and what I have experienced. I have many similarities in my life as Danny and have experienced the same in a different way, but I know for sure this boy is the nicest boy I have met and I do not regret a day what I had to go through (relationship problem, financial setbacks and conflicts with my business relationship because I always support Danny and will never drop him and therefore I have no more business with them) I love Danny as my own son and I know that if we don't drop him, but support and guide him, then he will be the ideal son-in-law. I believe and trust him with my life and I ask you to give him a chance to pick up his life again, because detention will only make him bitter and let this Daniel Hernandez flourish in his life and you will never regret Tekashi69 is an image, but Daniel

Hernandez is a sweet, kind and caring boy who made some mistakes (and young people make mistakes). I am sorry that this letter is very long, but otherwise I could not explain what I experienced and felt. God give me a second change and I took it with both hands and Hope Danny get this change also.

Thank you for reading and once again and apologizes for this long letter.

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**CHARLES L. WATTLEY**

November 11, 2019

Hon. Paul A. Engelmayer  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
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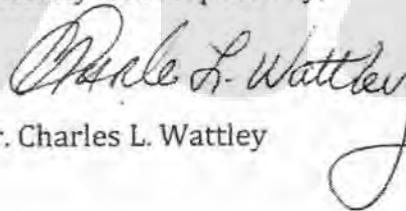
Re: Daniel Hernandez

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

I am writing this letter in support of Mr. Daniel Hernandez upon his upcoming sentencing. In the short time that I have known Mr. Hernandez, he has demonstrated a great desire to be a credit himself, his family and to authorities. It would be disastrous for him to be unable to show what he has learned through his experiences, consequently, it may lead others to follow his lead in the matter of what is right and what is wrong. It is critical for society to see a transformation and lessons learned.

As everyone knows America believes in a comeback and he wants to be a part of that story.

Sincerely and respectfully,



Mr. Charles L. Wattley

Jose M. Miranda



Ref: MR. DANIEL HERNANDEZ

October 3, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

I Jose M. Miranda am writing this statement for DANIEL HERNANDEZ.

I being men, of legal age and a Legal authorized to Residing in United Stated of America, currently reside at the address stated above,

Whit this letter I state and talk about my friend Daniel Hernandez who is American Citizen and him living in Brooklyn NY.

I state that I meet him since around one year, we meet in Roosevelt School. He helps to other people with erosional and medical problems.

I have one child of seven years old he is a cancer patient and Mr. Hernandez help us to assist and understand the process.

He is a very good person, very friendly and I know that he never has problems with anybody.

If you have any questions regarding the character of Sr. Hernandez please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

José Miranda

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Notary Public - State of New Jersey  
ID. N. [REDACTED]  
Commission Expires: 03 / 30 / 2020



Sworn and Subscribed  
Before me this  
03 day of 10 2018

Honorable Paul Englemayer  
United States District Court Judge  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse

October 11, 2019

Your Honor,

I hope this email finds your honor well. It is with great humility and sadness that I writing you this letter. My name is Elis Pacheco son of Johnny Pacheco, the Latin musician who has been recognized as the founding father of Salsa Music, a multiple Grammy Award Winner, who was awarded the Bobby Capó Lifetime Achievement Award, by New York Governor, George Pataki. We have a foundation called The Johnny Pacheco Scholarship Fund to help musically inclined students get into college. It is my understanding that in the ensuing days you will be making a ruling on the sentence of Daniel Hernandez. I relish this opportunity to give your honor from my perspective, a better understanding of who actually stands before the court.

The Pacheco family is amongst many families with charities who've had the opportunity to know Daniel well and become very friendly to the point where he looks up to myself as an uncle. We met Daniel in 2016, when he asked for guidance on building his brand and creating relationships in the community where he can give back, specifically to kids in his neighborhood where he grew up. Like his 6ix9ine brand, Daniel is hands-on and likes to forge a one on one connection with people. Knowing Daniel's circumstances with his initial charge with a minor, we suggested aligning himself with local reputable charities and making a difference which he did. He's actually a Bronze sponsor for the ten-year gala of a charity we support called The Cristian Rivera Foundation. While filing a video in our native country, Dominican Republic, Daniel went to poorest town, and blessed the community.

Daniel has a zest for life and a passion that could never be deterred. That unwavering belief in himself and tenacity has led Daniel to be a very successful rapper. Daniel's personality is infectious and he's loyal to his core, which I believe is a large part of the current case that stands before the court.

I've spoken to Daniel at great lengths to distance himself from those elements that aren't conducive to evolving as a person and an artist. The all to heard about "Peer Pressure" is truly toxic and have both been parts of his current issue. Those unsavory characters have all been replaced with mature spiritual mentors whom the court will know and respect. We are hopeful that your honor will give Mr. Hernandez time served so these mentors the ability to continue keeping Danny on his trajectory to be a role model the court expects.

Respectfully yours,



Elis Pacheco

December 9, 2019

Hon. Paul A. Engelmayer  
District Judge  
Thurgood Marshall  
United States Courthouse  
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Hon. Paul A. Englemayer,

My name is Raymond R. Ruiz, formerly of Rapid Realty and currently of Level Up Realty NYC in Brooklyn, NY. I am a Real Estate Broker and Franchise Area Developer actively operating in New York for 14 years. Throughout my career, I have been presented with many honors that speak for my work and reputation. Among these awards are: Brooklyn's 40 under 40, The Rising Star Award, and The Humanitarian Award. I received a special award by the Bronx Borough President, Ruben Diaz, for One of the Most Influential Latinos of NYC and other recognitions by The Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams and former Borough President Marty Markowitz. I am currently a contributor to the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce. I have been featured in Top Agent Magazine, The Real Deal Magazine, and Franchise Times Magazine, as well as invited as an honorary guest and motivational speaker to High Schools, colleges, and group homes for adolescents. I consider myself an active member of New York City and I care deeply for our community.

Upon first meeting Daniel Hernandez (a.k.a. Tekashi 6ix9ine), I was reluctant to establish an association with him based on the portrayal of his character in the media. Instantly, I learned that much of his public persona and image was for entertainment value and not his true character. It is clear and evident that he is a genuine, heartfelt, and caring young man. I met Danny, at the beginning of 2018, and our relationship was born through Real Estate, after I found him an apartment in Brooklyn. Originally Mr. Hernandez intended to live outside of Brooklyn, but he requested a property that would be close to his elderly mother since he assumed full responsibility of her and his family. He expressed relentless concern when his mother was confronted by thugs and when he was robbed at gunpoint. His mother was hellbent on staying in Brooklyn despite being a target for violence. Since then, I found 3 homes for his mom, brother and Danny respectively, as he requested. He has asked for my assistance with other matters and entrusted me with information about his life. What started as a business relationship quickly grew into a tight bond and friendship.

As an active caregiver for his mother, brother and daughter, Danny shows gratitude for being in a position to help and always seeks to put others first before himself. Through my observation, he has assumed a similar responsibility in many communities. After seeing poverty on the news in Chicago, he quickly jumped on a flight and eagerly gave food, water, and money to the homeless there. I witnessed him go to Mexico and not only give money to his mom and family, but also provided funds at a school for the entire year to help children with supplies. There are countless acts like these unnoticed because of Mr. Hernandez' public persona.

There are many acts in good faith that have been caught on camera and televised, but I have witnessed Mr. Hernandez off camera when no one was watching, and his generosity and good spirit are immeasurable. From the time I witnessed him give money to a local Brooklyn soccer team for uniforms, to the Made in America concert held by Jay Z, where he anxiously rushed right after to meet a little boy in Union, New Jersey who was dying of cancer; Danny's love for people and the community is indisputable. Crying in disbelief, he gave the sick boy his first diamond ring that was embellished with a rainbow. He had obtained this symbolic ring after reaching stardom and gave it to this suffering boy as a token to remember him by. Danny also gave the little boy's family \$40,000 to assist them with their expenses. Danny does not just bring aid and comfort to families in times of need, but also creates opportunities for those who need it most. All who work for him have shown immense gratitude for his generosity, thoughtfulness, and loyalty. I am gratified to have witnessed such tremendous deeds.

Although I have reached a great level of success, I recall when I was 24 years of age, and turned my life around after finding a career in real estate. I was fortunate to have a vital mentorship by multi millionaire and author of "Heart of the Deal", Anthony Lolli, who introduced me, not only to a new career, but a new way of life. I too, was young and surrounded by many trials, but in defiance of these hardships, I used my success to create opportunities for others. Through assisting many in owning their own business or providing day to day guidance and support, I later served as someone's mentor. It is my belief that Mr. Hernandez serves the same example, as a young man who came from tough times and a rough place, but works on himself amidst his trials and triumphs, all while continuing to help others along the way.

I have seen the many changes Mr. Hernandez has made firsthand. Encircling his personal growth, he has provided more security for himself and his family, and has consciously removed himself from unproductive and negative associations. Breakthrough and evolution cannot happen overnight. I trust that "progress over perfection" will be the road to his development. The idea of Danny serving time in prison disquiets me, and it would be an injustice and a deficit to so many communities. I am compelled to mention that his artistic career further brings joy and entertainment to his faithful fans and many all around the world. With the right mentorship and positive affiliations, Daniel Hernandez can continue to use his status, wealth, and enormous heart to serve a greater purpose and inspire others the way he has inspired me.

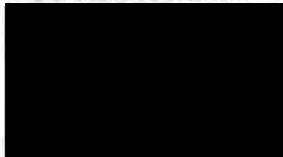
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Raymond R. Ruiz



**Martha O'Connell**



October 15, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Martha O'Connell, and I currently serve as the Principal of a large elementary school in an Urban District. I am in my 9<sup>th</sup> year as Principal, and my 29<sup>th</sup> year in Public Education. I have also had the opportunity to volunteer with many different organizations involving teenagers and young adults. During the course of my career, I have had the opportunity to interact with thousands of people of all ages. I feel my experiences have led me to be an excellent judge of character.

I recently had the opportunity to meet Daniel Hernandez after months of hearing about him in the Media, from a mutual friend and of course from the students in school. I believe the expression, "Don't judge a book by its cover" is very fitting for Mr. Hernandez.

A kindergarten student in my school has been battling brain cancer for most of the last school year. He was anxious to return this September and for most of the summer that was the plan. I received a terrible phone call late August that not only had the cancer spread, there was nothing to be done except wait.

Franklin, along with his siblings was a fan of Mr. Hernandez (Tekashi 69) and his music. With a few phone calls, a visit was set up through our mutual friend. Mr. Hernandez selected a date and promised he would be there. He arrived on time, driving up from Philadelphia, and spent hours sitting on the hospital bed of this child, talking to him and his siblings, playing video games and at one point in the evening, singing and dancing with the kids. He even insisted to his manager that only the clean versions of his music be played. At no time during the three hours Mr. Hernandez spent with the family did he do anything except focus on the child. At the end of the evening, we realized that he had to travel back to Philadelphia to perform. He put a lot of time and effort into a child he didn't know.

There was a period in the evening that Daniel started to question why nothing further could be done. He became visibly emotional and asked to have some privacy with the parents. He asked his manager to call his mom, at which time he made sure it was ok with the parents to pray together with the family. At the end of the prayer, he stayed alone with the parents and spoke quietly to them for some time. It was later in the evening, after he was gone, I learned that he had paid the rent for a year so they could focus on their child.

During the course of this visit, there was no media, no press and no photography other than the photos the family took. This was not an event to garner publicity, but rather to grant the wish of a terminal child.

At the end of the evening, Mr. Hernandez and his team assured us that Franklin would not be forgotten and asked us to keep them apprised of his status. He further surprised all of us by posting a single picture and the story of his visit on his social media page. He attached the Go-Fund-Me page as well. These are things he did without anyone asking him to.

Had I not had the opportunity to spend time in his company, I would never have known him to be the caring, sensitive and compassionate young man I truly believe him to be. Being young with money would be difficult for most people. Add to it the fame, it is difficult to be focused and disciplined. With the right mentoring and support, which I believe Daniel craves, I am confident Mr. Hernandez will have a bright productive future.

Sincerely,

Martha O'Connell





Honorable Felicia Mennin  
United States District Court Judge  
New York State Supreme Court

October 15<sup>th</sup> 2018

Honorable Judge Felicia Mennin,

My name is John Rivera, the founder of The Cristian Rivera Foundation, the countries most influential children's brain cancer non-profit organization. The Cristian Rivera Foundation was founded over 10 years ago to raise awareness and support clinical research for a very rare form of brain cancer called Diffused Intrinsic Pontine Glioma, also know as D.I.P.G.

D.I.P.G is a rare form of brain cancer that starts at a very early age and metastasizes and consumes the entire body of children within months. The average life expectancy after being diagnosed with D.I.P.G is between 3 to 12 months.

When my son Cristian was diagnosed with D.I.P.G., I was lost. I had nowhere to turn for information on this disease. After my son's passing I made a vow to help families that are impacted by this terrible disease. I created The Cristian Rivera Foundation and aligned myself with the worlds leading pediatric brain tumor specialist, Dr. Mark Souweidane of Weill-Cornell Medical Center.

The Cristian Rivera Foundation is comprised of volunteers, people who truly care about saving the lives of children by raising awareness, donating time to assist and raising money to support the innovative clinical trials being performed by Dr. Mark Souweidane at Weill-Cornell Medical Center.

I came to know Daniel Hernandez when he made a significant monetary contribution to our foundation last November and has been a supporter of our work for the last 11 months. Daniel also offered to appear as a guest at our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Since coming to know Daniel, I have watched his acts of kindness and humanity. Some of those acts are posted on social media but there are so many others that go without media coverage or documentation.

I'm writing this letter on Daniel's behalf to appeal to you for leniency when considering Daniel's sentence. Daniel is a good person who is always there to help others in need. He understands what it feels like to not have money, to not have the ability to support his family and has used his status to help those who have experienced a similar journey.

I know Daniel is deeply remorseful for his actions, he knows that he made a monumental mistake. I also know he will live with regret for his actions well past the time this incident is closed in the eyes of the law.



My board members are comprised of successful people in the entertainment sector. They have taken an interest in Daniel, not for his music, but for whom he is as a person. They are willing to help Daniel grow personally and professionally and mentor him so he can make valuable contributions to entertainment and to the world.

I hope that you consider my letter when considering sentencing, as I'm confident that Daniel will not find himself on the wrong side of the law once this case is finally completed.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at The Cristian Rivera Foundation corporate office at [REDACTED] or my mobile phone at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I can also be reached via email at [REDACTED]

Respectfully yours,

John Rivera  
Founder & CEO  
The Cristian Rivera Foundation

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