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Re: Amber Rose Anderson – CDCR # WF2744

**Just Trying to Hang-on**: Consider **Consider**: 75 years of age in 2014, widowed in 2011, a cancer survivor who underwent a complete mastectomy in order to save her life - a vulnerable senior citizen whose frail hold on life made each day both a blessing and a burden. But fate plays no favorites and even though Ms. Show had seemingly already borne more than her share of sadness, she had yet to come into close contact with inmate Amber Anderson.

**The Endless Party**: Not long after Ms. See, 's husband passed away, people began showing up – and staying – at Ms. See, 's tiny duplex; one of those people was inmate Amber Anderson, Ms. See, 's eventually told police:

"I would tell them to leave and they would ignore me. There were times that I would call the police for help. The police would show up and tell them to leave. An hour or so later, everyone would come right back. I spent most of my time in my bedroom with the door closed. I knew they [inmate Anderson and the others] were doing drugs and they were destroying my house but there was nothing I could do about it...". [Sacramento County Sheriff's Department report # 2015-0005300].

Ms. S continued:

"I always keep my ATM card close to me. All of my belongings are in my bedroom with me because there are so many people who come and go here. I don't want to lose my property".

**"Each betrayal begins with trust"** (unknown): And that, of course, is where inmate Anderson comes in. Ms. **Sums** saw inmate Anderson as someone who would help her through her difficult days – *someone she could trust*. But an objective view of the inmate yields a very different perspective – one in which it is apparent that concepts such as "helping" and "trust" are as alien to inmate Anderson as the dark side of the moon to residents of the earth.

**2004:** Penal Code section 459 felony conviction - 1<sup>st</sup> degree burglary ("strike offense"): Inmate Anderson entered the victim's residence by prying open the front door. Once inside, inmate Anderson stole jewelry worth \$ 50,000. The victim ? *Someone who trusted her* - Inmate

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**2004:** Penal Code section 530.5 felony conviction – identity theft: Inmate Anderson broke into the victim's locked vehicle and stole her credit cards and ID; inmate Anderson then used those cards – and the victim's identity - to purchase merchandise at K-Mart. The victim ? K-Mart – as *a business entity which trusted inmate Anderson* to be the person she presented herself to be when she intentionally used the victim's identity and her credit cards.

**2005:** Penal Code section 496d felony conviction – auto theft: Inmate Anderson and an accomplice stole the victim's van; when arrested the inmate admitted taking the van but denied knowing it was stolen. The victim ? The owner of the van *and* the public at large – *whose trust in their fellow citizens, whose trust that their property would be safe was violated* by inmate Anderson so that she could do what SHE wanted, do what was best FOR HER.

"There are three signs of the liar: when he speaks he speaks lies, when he makes a promise he breaks it and when he is trusted he betrays the trust" (Muhammed): Prior to her sentencing in 2004, inmate Anderson told the probation officer:

"Marriage went bad...Fell to drugs to cope....Looking back now at the damage I have done not only to myself but my son and family is what makes me hope for the future I am determined to have".

But all that "introspection", all that promise of better things, as subsequent events so painfully confirmed, was just breath expelled by the inmate's lips, a lie - another promise to be broken.

2007: Health and Safety Code section 11379 felony conviction – transportation of an illegal controlled substance: The inmate received 4 years in state prison for this offense.

2014: Health and Safety Code section 11350 – possession of an illegal controlled substance and Penal Code section 488 petty theft: Whatever small sympathy one might feel for inmate Anderson because of a claimed "drug problem" has surely evaporated after 10 years of crimes, a "strike" conviction, three other felony convictions, and, of course, her crimes as to Ms. Sum – whose narration of her contact with inmate Anderson continued:

"I owned a Buick that I would occasionally allow Amber (inmate Anderson) to use to go the store for me. Around the time this happened, [inmate Anderson] told me she was taking my car to meet up with someone. I told [inmate Anderson] I didn't want her taking my car but she took it anyway. I was really upset and didn't know what to do. [Inmate Anderson] got pulled over that day and my car was impounded because [inmate Anderson] didn't have a license. I tried to get my car back but the CHP denied me a hearing". [Postscript: Ms. Source 's 2006 Buick sedan was eventually sold at a lien sale; she is now without a car - Sacramento County Sheriff's Department report # 2015-0005300].

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**2015:** Penal Code section 530.5 felony conviction – identity theft: But the car wasn't the only thing inmate Anderson took from Ms. Some without her permission. Around Christmas, 2014, inmate Anderson - who had been living in Ms. Some home without her consent – disappeared from the residence. Also gone: Ms. Some 's ATM card – which Ms. Some, unable to do so many things, had <u>entrusted</u> to inmate Anderson on brief, prior occasions, for use in purchasing items for Ms. Some from the store. Ms. Some 's ATM card was subsequently found to have been used 10 times without her consent between December 29, 2014, and December 31, 2014; ATM video confirmed that inmate Anderson was the thief on all those occasions.

Inmate Anderson is currently incarcerated in state prison (on the 2015 Penal Code section 530.5 conviction) for her betrayal of Ms. Solution 's trust. One could argue as to which is more infamous: someone who betrays a great public trust – like, say, a Benedict Arnold - or the private betrayal of someone who was old and illowing – as inmate Anderson so cruelly effected. What is beyond argument is that inmate Anderson, by her lies and betrayals and crimes over the years (with Ms. Solution) only the most recent, and perhaps most tragic, victim) has forfeited any claim on natural human sympathy or a belief in "second chances" that might justify her early release. As a back-stabber who has repeatedly used a position of trust for her own enrichment – at times at a crippling cost to others – it is crystal-clear that if she is released from custody pursuant to the NVSS program she WILL offend again, she will harm, in some way, another innocent citizen – which means that the only reasonable, the only prudent, option is that <u>she</u> <u>must be retained in prison</u> until she has served her maximum lawful sentence.

Inmate Anderson's early release should be denied and she should be kept in the custody of the state until she serves the entire term of her sentence.

Respectfully,

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