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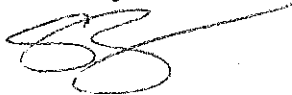
Dear Judge Lester,

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to you for lying under oath. On April 20, 2012, I testified that my husband and I had no money to put towards a bond. At that time, we could have paid for a bond out of the contributions to my husband's legal fund. I was aware that what I was saying was not true and chose to take a path that I now regret with all my heart. This is not who I am or the person that I want to be. By lying under oath, I let my God down, I let your Honor and the court down, I let my family and friends down, and, most of all, I let myself down. In the future, no matter what the consequences, I will tell the truth because in the end all you have is your integrity. I promise, your Honor, to work hard to restore mine before the eyes of my God and the world.

Over the last sixteen months, I have become intimately aware of the justice system, and the absolute importance of all parties being truthful. By entry of this plea of guilty, I admit as true all of the facts contained in the State's probable cause affidavit, filed in this case. Knowing that, legally, I am guilty of a felony, I appreciate Mr. Guy, Ms. Corey, and the Office of the State Attorney in Jacksonville allowing me to enter into this plea to a lesser included misdemeanor and thereby have the opportunity to continue in my quest to serve my community, one person at a time.

I am a Christian, and I know the words of the Bible, especially those of Jesus in the Gospel of John 8:32. I am sorry that I had forgotten this passage and forevermore I promise to remember, "The truth will set you free".

Sincerely,



Shellie Zimmerman