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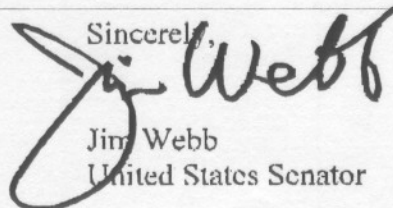
Ms. Ozawa Skipper-Coleman
5713 Hendrix Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464-6608

Dear Ms. Skipper-Coleman:

I have received the enclosed correspondence from the Department of the Army in response to my inquiry on your behalf. I hope that the information they have provided will be helpful to you.

Again, thank you for writing. As your Senator, I hope that you will contact me anytime you feel that I may be of assistance to you.

With warm regards, I remain

Sincerely,

Jim Webb
United States Senator

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Enclosure

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY ALASKA
724 POSTAL SERVICE LOOP #5000
FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA 99505-5000

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Honorable Jim Webb
United States Senator
222 Central Park Avenue, Suite 120
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Dear Senator Webb:

This is in response to your letter of March 16, 2010, on behalf of Ms. Ozawa D. Skipper-Coleman's concern about her son, Specialist Daryl E. Beamer, Jr.

Specialist Beamer and his Family arrived at Fort Richardson, Alaska on January 8, 2009. The Soldier and his Family were treated with respect and immediately provided on-post housing. On May 2, 2009, Specialist Beamer was detained by military police for tying his spouse to a chair and pouring lighter fluid over her body and threatening to set her on fire. He was charged with severe domestic violence, assault consummated with battery, reckless endangerment, and endangering the welfare of a child. The Family was separated upon their request and his chain of command informed Specialist Beamer that misconduct of this nature would not be tolerated. Over the next four months Specialist Beamer committed obstruction of justice and conspiracy to commit obstruction of justice and failed to report to work call formation on several occasions.

On November 15, 2009, Specialist Beamer was arrested by the Anchorage Police Department as he allegedly robbed six civilians at gunpoint. Since this incident, Specialist Beamer has been confined at the Anchorage Correctional Facility and is expected to plead guilty on April 12, 2010, to armed robbery. Specialist Beamer's demonstrated pattern of misconduct left this command no choice but to initiate administrative separation procedures from the United States Army.

Prior to his arrest, Specialist Beamer's supervisors were aware of his diagnosed Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and scheduled multiple appointments with some of best counselors and physicians our military service has to offer. Specialist Beamer consistently failed to attend his appointments with the social work clinic, Family advocacy services, behavioral health clinic, and the neurology specialist. However, his grievous misconduct is resulting in his separation from the United States Army. After separation, Specialist Beamer may qualify for benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

I trust this information will assist you in responding to Ms. Skipper-Coleman.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Miller", written over a light blue horizontal line.

William P. Miller
Colonel, U.S. Army
Chief of Staff