

December 4, 2008

Honorable Barack Obama
President-elect, United States of America
C/o David Ogden
Presidential Transition Team
Washington, DC 20270

Dear Mr. Ogden;

I am writing to express my strong support of the selection and for the subsequent confirmation by the United States Senate of the Honorable Eric Holder who President-Elect Obama has put forth to be our next United States Attorney General.

I am a victim advocate on both the national and state levels and currently serve as the National President of Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc (POMC) and also as an Adviser for Victims to Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano. In November of 1996, my brother Howard Levey was murdered here in Phoenix by complete strangers as he sat in his vehicle waiting for his friends to show up for their weekly basketball game. The gang members who murdered Howard randomly selected him as he sat in his vehicle and this crime truly could have been committed against anyone's loved one in that car.

As a survivor of having a loved one murdered and in my daily work I have learned firsthand the importance of having a strong leader as our US Attorney General and one who understands the plight of victims and survivors of crime—Mr. Holder by all accounts understands the plight of victims and I believe he will ensure that victims voices are heard and understood at the highest level.

Mr. Holder's record speaks for itself in respect to being a champion for victims and among his many accomplishments;

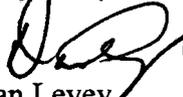
- Was the motivating factor behind DC's initiative to improve its response to child abuse and created model protocols for child victims.
- Was a key leader in creating DC's Children's Advocacy Center (today considered a model for the nation).
- Created a renowned victim/witness unit, expanding its staff from six to 24 members in less than four years; and ensuring that the Victim Witness Unit Chief was present at senior staff meetings.
- Created the first domestic violence advocacy program within the victim/witness unit that functioned in DC Superior Court and in federal cases involving interstate domestic violence and stalking.

- Supported the creation of sexual assault advocates and homicide advocates within the Victim Witness Unit.
- Established a Kids Court.
- Established the first forensic child interview specialist position within the Federal government.

I have dedicated my life's work in memory of my beloved brother and victims need strong leaders such as Eric Holder to ensure our interest our represented and that victims of crime are always treated with dignity and respect.

It is for the above-reasons and many more that I wholeheartedly support Mr. Holder's confirmation by the United States Senate and I will ensure they receive a copy of this letter as well. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly at (602) 364-2235.

Very Truly Yours,



Dan Levey