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Subject: RE: Isaiah Willis

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I will watch for the email, if you hear from them again, please try to find out which of Graham's offices they spoke to. I know how I would work this at the state level but I don't want to accidentally cross or double up on what Senator Graham's office is doing.

*Best Regards,  
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From: Kevin L. Bryant  
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 8:00 PM  
To: Catherine McNicoll ; Danny Varat  
Subject: Isaiah Willis

I have asked Claude to have his grandson email us. This was a Facebook message.

I talked your dad tonight at church and he told me to get in touch with you. Here then is the problem.

My grandson (Isaiah Willis) is trying to join the South Carolina Army guard. He had to take an Asthma exam because he had mild Asthma as a child. I paid \$750 dollars for him to take the test. He passed and met the Army requirement. He (Isaiah) was then allowed to take his Army exams. He passed those as well. The South Carolina Army guard is willing to take him but he is blocked at the DOD level by the Navy. He had applied with them first before he decided on the Army Guard. When the Navy blocked him, it blocked him for all branches. We have sent the required document to Lindsey Graham's office to get the block removed. We sent it to them on Wednesday of this past week.

Isaiah's sister is in the South Carolina Army guard and was just promoted to E3. His brother Morgan will be in basic at Paris Island the first of October. Our family has a rich military history of service, some wounded and others who fought in multiple wars. It would be a shame for Isaiah to be disallowed to serve when he has passed all requirements because of politics between the branches. He has just finished high school and wants to make a career in military service.

Will you work with Lindsey Graham's office to get the block removed and expedited?

I appreciate any and all help. If he is defeated here, his dream is dead. That would be a shame since he has passed all tests and is fit for the guard. His Sgt Austin Terry say they are ready to take him if the block is removed. Please help

Regards  
Claude Willis  
A proud grandpa

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