

December 18, 2015

Dear Governor Haley,

My name is Deshaun J. Stroman. I live in Richland County. I am writing you to ask you to please consider "pardoning" me of a felony. I was convicted of a felony when I was 18 years old in 2004. The charge was "Financial Credit theft/fraud". I was with some friends who used a stolen credit card at a gas station. I was charged because I was in their company. I served 6 years in prison for it. I am 29 years old now, out of prison, and have been a model citizen since then. I have 5 children and I desperately want to work and provide for my family. It's hard to get a good job because of my past. I worked at Benedict College through a contract company, but I didn't have benefits and I didn't have work when the students were out of school. I have not been in any trouble since my release from prison. I volunteer to help others by doing yard work for the elderly, and I talk to young kids encouraging them to do what's right because the choices a person makes has a lifelong impact on their life. Please find it in your heart to "pardon me" so it doesn't show on my record when I apply for jobs. I want to work and be a contribution to society. I am asking for a "Second Chance", please. I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank You in advance for your time.

With A Humble Heart,

Deshaun J. Stroman



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