

Your Honor,

I stand here well recognizing the significance of Today. It pains me more than I can express in words to know I have let so many people down, most particularly Kossidy. So many lives have been affected by this. Both, the people that I know and others whom I don't know.

I have had so many things in my life to be proud of: A wonderful son, a prominent job, a strong loving family and so many friends. Most people never have the opportunity to obtain what I had and do have.

I'm overwhelmed by the things that have been said, by the letters that have been written on my behalf and the continued support of friends and family.

Having said that, there has not been a minute since the fall of 2000 that I have felt anything but regret and shame for what I have done.

I have hurt my devoted family, my friends, my beautiful son and Amanda all beyond comprehension & most heavy in my heart is knowing that I failed Kossidy.

Amanda, I'm so sorry for the pain and emptiness you will feel for the rest of your life. You and Kossidy both deserved so much more. I'm sorry.