

June 29, 2011

JoAnne Pereira, Community Corrections District Manager  
Barre Probation and Parole  
255 North Main Street, Suite 6  
Barre, VT 05641

Dear JoAnne:

I am contacting you on behalf of Warren Vail, whom I have known for the last several years. Warren and I worked together during the 2009-2010 legislative session to pass legislation allowing the use of ignition interlocks to thwart drunk driving, which I believed was a noble effort on his part, and a common-sense solution to prevent more Vermonters from getting into the same trouble that Warren himself has in the past.

Based on this work together and on other conversations that I have had with Warren, I believe him to be a sincere and thoughtful person who thinks of others and who simply wants to work toward a better life. One of Warren's most pressing concerns is for his mother, who lives in Connecticut and whom he has not been allowed to visit in the last several years because his sentence requires him to stay in Washington County. Warren's mom is not in good health and is confined to a nursing home, so she is unable to visit him here in Vermont. Aside from the fact that family support could be an enormous asset to Warren as he works to rehabilitate himself, the possibility that his mother might pass away without his being able to see her is causing Warren a great deal of anxiety.

Warren has offered to check in with an officer in Connecticut upon his arrival, and/or to abide by any other reasonable conditions you may find necessary for his supervision during the visit.

Based on the information that Warren has shared with me about his charges and his case history, I am asking you to consider allowing Warren to visit his mother with appropriate conditions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Phil Scott". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Phil Scott