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**STATEMENT OF MICHAEL MAGNER,
ATTORNEY FOR NICOLE BURDETT**

We are disappointed and baffled that the government has chosen to indict an honest lawyer like Nicole Burdett for doing nothing other than forwarding her firm's books and records to someone that she and Jason Williams both believed to have been a Certified Public Accountant.

Nicole is innocent of these charges and looks forward to her day in court.

Nicole and Jason Williams relied on Henry Timothy, who falsely held himself out as a CPA verbally and in writing, to file Jason's taxes. Nicole trusted Timothy because he handled her family's tax returns for many years. Nicole took Jason's accounting records to Timothy and picked up the tax returns when he was through.

When this matter first arose, Mr. Timothy truthfully told us that he made all tax decisions, and that he alone decided what deductions to take. He assured us that he would never have done anything to hurt Jason and Nicole.

Now it appears that Mr. Timothy has decided to save his own skin by lying to the government. It also appears that the government, after aggressively investigating Timothy for fraud, has chosen to turn a blind eye to the fact that Timothy has defrauded many other innocent people.

We have also determined that Mr. Timothy was not a CPA as he claimed, and we have obtained the attached court order prohibiting Mr. Timothy from continuing to represent himself as a CPA to the public.