

Exhibit B



17 November, 2020

The Honorable Alison J. Nathan
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

Re: *United States v. Ghislaine Maxwell*, 20 Cr. 330 (AJN)

Confidential Letter in Support of Ghislaine Maxwell.

Your Honor:

My name is Isabel Sylvia Maxwell, and I am a middle sister of Ghislaine Maxwell. I am twin to Christine Malina-Maxwell. I have one son, who is now 36 years old. I am a World Economic Forum Technology Pioneer and the co-founder of a very early search engine that had 25% of internet traffic in its day. I was also president of an Israeli American Email and Messaging company, Commtouch Software Inc. I am a US Citizen. I am a Graduate of Oxford University in History & French with a Diploma in Education from Edinburgh University. In 2011 I moved to France to look after our late mother full time as she had moved there and was not well enough to live there on her own. I moved back to California after her death. In early 2017, I re-qualified to teach in the California system and was a supply teacher by choice in the high schools of Compton and Watts for the school year 2017-2018.

I submit the following letter in support of my sister Ghislaine Maxwell's character and for bail.

I have known Ghislaine all her life since her birth; I am 70 years of age now. I helped baby sit her for many years and I observed her first-hand grow up and become a lovely, witty, resourceful, scrupulous and trustworthy human being. All of us children grew up with a profound teaching from our parents of key values such as "consideration of others; that everyone is important, no matter if they are a king or a street cleaner - there is something to be learned from every person, and they should be treated with equal respect. We were also trained from a very early age how to be welcoming to the multiple guests that came to our home and we were expected to entertain and be generous with our time and our attention to each person. Due to our father's increasing public roles in politics and publishing, I recall entertaining guests and their children from all over the world in our home every weekend as an important and central part of our growing up – in which we all – the children - took part from the eldest to the youngest. Additionally, both our parents modeled a ferocious work ethic and Ghislaine was no exception in deeply absorbing, exhibiting and living these values and training.

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As far as allowing my own young children and or their friends to visit my sister, both before and at any time in the future, the answer is an unequivocal YES. In 1994 my own son was 10 years old. As a growing teenager, he visited my sister in New York on his own as did many of my nieces and nephews from London. I was very happy whenever he and they visited my sister and she made sure they were safe and happy and well looked after - always. They would come back exclaiming "we had a wonderful time with Aunt Ghislaine!" and "it was awesome!" I have not and I would not hesitate now, to allow any youngster to visit with my sister and stay with her for any length of time with or without my presence.

I wish further and most critically as it obtains to this bail hearing, to attest to the loving relationship she has with her husband and two stepchildren which I have personally witnessed on many different occasions. These children are young and for their own protection I too am not going to detail about them here. But I have been so moved at my sister's constant worry for them and protecting them from the press and from any intrusion into their lives.

My sister also has a very good relationship with her husband's ex-wife, who has joined the family on multiple occasions for family events like Xmas which I also attended. I have come to know her too and appreciate very much that this is so. As someone who has experienced divorce and custody matters myself, I know how much it means when exes get along. The children so clearly adore my sister and she them. Their mother has allowed them to travel with Ghislaine on multiple occasions and is clearly comfortable that they are with her. That speaks to me, volumes about trust and about the true reality of my sister's character and values.

I have witnessed the children with their father and Ghislaine also on multiple occasions in New Hampshire. Her love for her stepchildren and her husband was a principal reason that she stayed close by as possible while fighting for her innocence, in order to keep the press away from the area where the children lived AND to protect their privacy as much as possible. The children's father and Ghislaine were fiercest about their protection as can be and I fully understood that of course. What parent would not?!

I know that the children have suffered terribly that their stepmother has summarily been removed from their lives and they don't understand why they cannot visit her and why she cannot speak to them or come home. How devastating. Forced family-separations from spouses and from young children are extremely cruel and hard and this one is no exception. The egregious behavior of the Boston Globe in invading the privacy of the children at their school in the way they did and then reporting on it -was completely appalling. I was there. I read it as it came out.

I have personal experience trying to protect our own aged mother from the press intrusion after my father died as she was hounded by paparazzi - they would not leave her alone. I recall on one particularly bad occasion in London, when my mother was trying to get to a Holocaust related event where she was speaking, a pack of photographers were converging on us all at once. I remember taking my tennis racquet that I had with me at the time and starting to walk in front of my mother, swinging it in an arc so she could even walk and not be injured by giant metal lenses shoved in her face -they were so aggressive. I am no stranger to aggressive tactics by the press.

My sister's situation alas was no different.

I can attest to my sister's calmness and courage and focus and consistency in immediately stating why each allegation that comes up, was/is not true and why. She was completely consistent no matter how many times it came up or what variations of it came up.

I know that my sister, unlike the late Mr. Epstein and others, did not take the 5th in civil litigation. She underwent many hours of deposition because she has nothing to hide.

The thousands by now of stories and accusations against her reported in the press have morphed into a figurative tsunami of monikers – "madam", "procurer", "witch", "monster" and "master architect" - public opprobrium and character assassination. Absolutely anyone who dares to put their head above the parapet so to speak, to question any of the accusers' allegations, let alone support Ghislaine personally, gets it shot off immediately amid of hail of social vilification and malignancy and reputational slaughtering.

As I was personally with Ghislaine and moved with her myself several times, I can attest that when she moved, it was always and only due to fear of being discovered by the press or 'vigilantes' – the fear was palpable.

The only reason that she was forced to find quiet places to be in all this time, and I know because I was with her, is due to the howling 'mobs' screaming for her 'scalp' on Twitter and other social media outlets. My sister and often in my presence has been forced to 'hide' from the crazy people who seem to want to take matters into their own hands and grab her themselves or worse, aided and abetted by the media – The Sun for example in the UK has offered a £10,000 "bounty" on her head for anyone who can get them "in front of her" - - this on November 19, 2019 - was extremely shocking to us and scary – it felt like incitement to violence against my sister – I was with her when this carrion cry came out and I can attest to the fear that it engendered.

With this kind of 'vigilante' publicity, her life has absolutely been in danger and she has herself received death threats and also even her own attorneys too. This is not a joke. This is the sole reason why she has had to find private homes that are independent - - Literally any person at all who has had even the most small of interactions has been vilified in the press - - my sister did not "slither away" anywhere – she was finally able to locate a place where she could not be moving around constantly and collect herself to fight for her life and to clear her name. That is all she has been doing.

I also want to address the widely published statements and media views that my sister was "a fugitive from justice and from the FBI", a "proven criminal", and that she was reported as being in places as far flung as Brazil, London, Israel, France, in a submarine, on a yacht, being protected by the Mossad, Special Forces, etc. Nothing was further from the factual truth. My sister never left nor intended to leave the United States. She wanted only to stay close to her family and fight her case and was in constant contact with her lawyers all the time I was with her. Up until the day of her arrest, she had never been in any criminal situation whatsoever and had neither been charged, arrested, or interviewed and therefore had no reason at all to be "hiding from the police" - which she categorically was not.

My sister has only and always maintained her absolute innocence of these accusations, and how she has felt 100% frustrated that she cannot come out and fight against each and all allegations in the civil suits that have come against her. I know deeply and expect that she will welcome a fair legal process to clear her name.

Further she has been at ALL times inside the United States, contrary to the many wild and unsubstantiated rumors in the media. She has never left the country wants only to fight the case and remain in the country to do that. The United States has been her home since 1991 – and she has *always* returned here. I have witnessed her great humility, I have witnessed her personal warmth and bravery, and her humanity and great resilience in the face of the tidal waves of negative adverse publicity in the social media and by the Press, all over the world.

I attest that Ghislaine was only laying low for her own protection against vigilantes and the 'mob' who have been baying for her blood to this day. She has never hid from the authorities and is frustrated that she never had the opportunity to talk to them personally to counteract all the lies pouring out in the media.

In regard to bail, I know in every fiber of my being that my sister will NOT skip bail and am co-signing with my twin sister a bond in the value of \$1,500,000 which is secured by her family home. I myself live on a pension and do not own any property or I would have put it up without hesitation.

There is another critical reason I know she will not skip bail if released on remand – This is because I am willing, and already have, uprooted my own life in California leaving behind my own family and dear friends, to stay with Ghislaine 24 x 7 if she is released into my personal custody – in a residence in New York that we have located - for as long as necessary. I am prepared to stay with her 24/7 indefinitely and have been in the New York area since July this year. I have complete confidence that my sister will utterly not seek to flee her bail and I completely assure the court that if she is released into my custody that she will remain with me 24x7x365 and will not leave the premises unless required to do so by the court and in direct coordination with them.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Isaac Magalhães', with a stylized, flowing script.