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Dear Quentin,

How does one start to thank someone whom has endured this rollercoaster of a journey with me and whom is responsible for maintaining my freedom?

As you well know, I am no wordsmith but I will endeavour to come as close as I possibly can to portraying my gratitude and thanks.

As we have discussed before it is rare for you to be on the defence journey from day one and I am ever so thankful we met at Lewes Crown Court that time when I saw you celebrating with a client and looking back encompassing the Barrister you are.

When I left that first meeting of ours I knew you were the captain of the ship I needed. Your supportive, caring and overall demeanour was reassuring yet subjective and I left Lewes feeling somewhat more upbeat having been requisitioned to court.

During our pre-trial hearings and throughout the path to trial you were immense, your support and professionalism was second to none and I can't begin to tell you how much easier it was knowing you were fighting in my corner with me.

Last year, you had the perilous task of navigating the minefield of a potential cut-throat defence and what a path you led, [REDACTED] being unrepresented could have posed huge hurdles and issues for us but you managed them calmly and effectively without me really ever knowing just how much you were doing behind the scenes.

As you may have seen, I was extremely nervous and scared that first trial. My emotional vulnerability was only put into check by you, without you I could not have stood up on that stand and been able to conduct myself in the manner I did without you. Your cross-examination of [REDACTED] was nothing short of phenomenal, you knew exactly how to handle him and you managed to extract his true character from him during your examination which was no easy task given he is no newbie to questioning.

Thankfully we had a positive outcome that trial through a hung jury result but unfortunately the CPS decided on a second round. As upset and downbeat I was upon hearing this news, it was you whom picked me back up and told me to get on with my life and try to put the case to one side. Without this advice, I wouldn't have a business that I do today and would be in a very different set of circumstances without that advice.

The second trial this year was a totally different experience, being D1 was a fairly daunting prospect but you allayed my worries with your honesty and explanations allowing me to process the journey much better than I thought possible.

Although much of the work had been done in the first trial your attention to detail and work ethic was humbling and I am in awe of your talent as a Barrister. Your examinations are considered and strategy based, your character is extremely well received in court and your understanding of the legal system is mind bending.

As nervous as I was when that tannoy called us to court for the verdict I was at peace knowing that I had tried my best and in the comfort, you had been the one putting my case forward. I had no regrets with anything we had done in preparation and execution of my case.

Words really can't justify Quentin just how thankful I am for your work and support over the last three or four years. Simply put, I would not have been able to have come through this experience as I have without you.

I know you don't like receiving compliments but I hope reading this will be a little easier for you to digest and appreciate just how talented and unique you are.

The most important thing though for me Quentin has been just you, not the Barrister or my legal representative but Quentin Hunt the man. You humanised yourself and this journey and that is what has blown me away.

There is a plethora of other traits you are blessed with but I'll keep those in my armoury for the years to come as we share our friendship.

Thank you for absolutely everything. I hope to never have to help you like you have for me but please know that I am here for you as you have been for me.

Best wishes as always,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'Quentin', is written over a large black rectangular redaction box. Below this box, there is another smaller black rectangular redaction box.