



ATOMIC 47



January 10, 2021

Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I write to you on behalf of Devon Archer, whom I know for approximately four years. In that time, as Chief Legal Officer of Atomic 47, LLC, I have had the privilege to know Mr. Archer both socially and professionally. I truly believe he is a person of high moral and ethical character. It is for this reason that I am happy to write to you on his behalf.

Socially, I've known Mr. Archer to be genuine, kind, and sincere. Upon meeting him it is quickly apparent that Mr. Archer is friendly and good natured. Over time, I have also found that he is genuine and caring. He is always willing to make time for those around him, and has an open ear for anyone who might ask.

I have on numerous occasions observed Mr. Archer in business settings. Over the course of those interactions, I have consistently found him to conduct himself in an honest, forthright and ethical manner. In business, he has shown himself to be thoughtful and conscientious. He is willing to listen to advice and criticism and reconsider strategy and tactics when appropriate. In short, he is the type of person with whom I am happy to collaborate.

I understand the nature of the charges in the present case, and can say without hesitation that they stand in stark contrast to my experiences with Mr. Archer.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Wanamaker

January 5, 2021

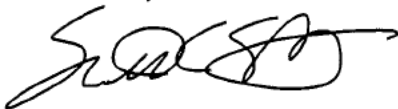
Hon. Ronnie Abrams
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Dear Judge Abrams:

I am writing on behalf of Devon Archer whom I have had the pleasure of knowing for 6 years. I met Devon as a devoted volunteer coach to the Brooklyn Crescents Lacrosse Club. This community team is a 501c3 organization for all ages through high school, whose mission is "Never turning away a player from the Creator's Game for financial reasons." As such, the organization relies entirely on volunteer coaches. Devon is a standout amongst those volunteer coaches, sharing his deep expertise in the sport and enthusiastically dedicating himself to running practices, coaching games and traveling to tournaments both during weeknights and weekends throughout the school year.

The many hours, over many years, that Devon has dedicated to this organization - which makes the game of lacrosse accessible to many in Brooklyn and other parts of the city who would not otherwise have a chance to learn about it - have had a direct impact on the success of the program. Not only did he help create a very competitive team, but he also took the time to nurture players along the way. My son [REDACTED] was one of the boys on Devon's team for much of this time and I am forever grateful for the way he treated [REDACTED] always encouraging him and all of the boys equally as if they were his own son. [REDACTED] is a shy child and can be easily embarrassed and discouraged. It was Devon who noticed his love of the game, his skill and his potential to be a leader on the field. Because Devon went out of his way to work with [REDACTED] and build the confidence that is so critical at a young age in any sport, [REDACTED] not only became an excellent lacrosse player who now plays for his high school and a competitive travel team, but he also became a leader off the field as well. The confidence Devon cultivated in him carried over to his school work and his friendships and Devon will always be remembered as one of the most pivotal adults outside of family in [REDACTED] life who changed the course of his life's trajectory. Devon's selfless focus on [REDACTED] and other struggling boys seemed to come naturally for him and I'm certain that [REDACTED] is not the only one who will count Devon as one of the most impactful role models in their life.

Sincerely,



Scott Sergeant

Paul C. Sohn

Judge Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I have known Devon Archer for 23 years--since I arrived at Yale University as an 18 year old freshman. Through that time, he has been a friend, teammate, and business partner. He is one of the few people in my life outside of my family who I have had such a long term relationship with and I would like to explain the reasons for that.

When I arrived at Yale, I chose to walk on to the lacrosse team. In the Ivy League sports hierarchy, there is nothing lower than a freshman walk on. Most don't make the team and few last very long. At that time Devon was both a senior and one of the stars of the team. While most of his peers would not even acknowledge me, Devon went out of his way to make me feel like part of the group. He would drive me to practice, and even stick up (at an obvious personal cost) when other seniors would try to bully me. To me, the real test of someone's character is how they treat those people that have nothing to offer them in return; that was our dynamic when we first met and I will never forget it. I went on to have a successful four year lacrosse career at Yale, and I'm not sure I would have made it through that first year without Devon's help and encouragement. I also tried to take that lesson I received when the tables were turned and I was the star senior on the team.

Upon graduation, Devon and I remained close in my post collegiate years. Those years after college are interesting from a friendship perspective. Many whom I considered my closest friends in college either quickly or slowly drifted away from me, to the point where I would not consider them more than an acquaintance a few years removed from graduation. A powerful realization at a young age that many of these "bonds for life" were nothing more than friendships of proximity and convenience. Meanwhile, there were a select few college friends where the bonds actually grew stronger in those post graduate years. Devon was one of those friends. We shared a lot in terms of ambitions, business interests, character, meeting our future wives early, desire for large families, etc.

Our bond truly strengthened when we went into business together. It is worth diving into that part of our relationship because I believe it is what most exemplifies Devon's character and ethics. I am also a believer that actions speak louder than words, and it should become clear that I would not have entered into this transaction with Devon if I did not 100% believe in Devon, his judgement and his ethics.

Since 2008 I have sat as one of two Sohn family representatives on the board of directors of our family business, Lone Rock Resources. Lone Rock is entirely family owned, and the shareholders consist of my parents, my brother, my children, my cousins, my aunts, and my uncles. Lone Rock has historically been a timber management company although starting in about 2009, we decided to diversify outside of our core timber competence. When Devon and I started discussing a business he was building called Rosemont Realty, I immediately recognized it as an excellent potential fit for Lone Rock Resources, and thus began the most successful and by an order of magnitude largest investment Lone Rock Resources had made to date outside of timber.

The Lone Rock and Rosemont marriage lasted from our entrance in 2010 to our successful exit in 2015 where we made over 2X on our roughly \$60 million invested capital. Those numbers are not the point I am trying to make here, however. By bringing this transaction to Lone Rock and vouching for it, I put my reputation and family relationships on the line. Make no mistake, if this transaction had gone south it would have fallen on me and I would have to answer to every single family member. As the board and family member pushing for diversification, I understood that whole push would be dead if this deal ended badly. Even more directly, if anything had gone wrong through Devon's actions or inaction that would have fallen squarely on me at the board and family level. Yet I entered this transaction without hesitation because of the confidence I had in Devon as a businessman, investor, and person.

Throughout the 5 year life of the deal, Devon acted as a 100% ethical steward of our capital and a powerful advocate for Lone Rock. Just like at Yale 23 years earlier, there were times when Devon made ethical decisions in support of Lone Rock that either cost him financially personally or put important relationships of his at risk. And he did not hesitate to do so. Based on this consistent pattern of behavior that I have observed over decades, I would not hesitate to go into business with Devon again should the opportunity arise.

Sincerely,

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Paul C. Sohn

Nurlan Kussainov
Chairman of the Board
Astana International Exchange / AIX



Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams,

I write on behalf of Devon Archer. I have met Mr. Devon Archer in Kazakhstan 2010. Since then, we have become good friends. Mr. Archer has introduced me to many good opportunities to invest in the US market within various instruments like public transactions, private equity deals, venture financing. It was always top-level reputable people and institutions he helped me to be connected. Devon has given me great advice for me to navigate the Development Bank of Kazakhstan (DBK) through the global markets turmoil while I was CEO of DBK (2011-2013).

It was an easy decision for me to invite Devon as an independent board member of National Investment Company (NIC) after I was appointed as Deputy Governor of the National Bank/Chairman of the board of NIC (2014-2016). During that time, we have done tremendous progress to move NIC to the next level and conduct transactions with the best PE/hedge fund managers such as Blackstone, KKR, Hamilton Lane, Grosvenor, Bridgewater etc.

Within the last five years Mr. Devon Archer has been deeply involved into the very complexed initiative of the Government of Kazakhstan to build English common jurisdiction Astana International Financial Center (AIFC), which is special regulatory "enclave" in Kazakhstan with independent courts, independent judges retired from the UK and independent financial services authority. Devon was quite instrumental as the board member of AIFC authority while I was servicing as CEO and now Devon plays a very important role as the member of the AIFC fintech advisory board.

During the 5 years tenure at AIFC we have managed to create Astana International Exchange (AIX) from the “scratch”. Today it's a very dynamic capital market platform with NASDAQ, Goldman Sachs, Shanghai stock exchange, Silk Road fund as shareholders.

I really appreciate Devon for sharing his experience with me and always bringing to the table comprehensive advice, robust action and a lot of wisdom. Devon inspired a lot of young talents in Kazakhstan to work on global agenda.

In my social responsibility initiative to develop street basketball in Kazakhstan I can rely on Devon's network to bring attention to US athletes and franchises to help boys and girls with difficult conditions to believe in finding new opportunities in sports.

Overall, I should describe Mr. Devon Archer as transparent, ethical, dedicated professional and very trustworthy friend. Devon always sets needs of society higher than his personal.

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Nurlan Kussainov
January 4, 2021



January 5, 2021

Hon. Ronnie Abram
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Reference: Devon Archer

Dear Judge Abrams:

I have known Devon Archer of New York for several years, initially through friends, then in my business in the NY financials sector. A San Francisco native, my career has been in developing intellectual property, software and device technology for data analytics. The past 20 years included mergers and acquisitions and International consulting. In my fifty year career of international residency and travel, I have directly engaged with hundreds of business and government leaders. These circles broaden and expand as they ultimately narrow down as to whom one can trust. I have found that the ability to successfully make this judgment is not only worthwhile, but essential for success. This recognition ability is developed over much time and education. You learn to also listen to your gut.

The past few years have been centered on acquisitions and mergers to build a new worldwide company based upon the expertise and many patents held. This involved two American companies, in addition to one in France and in China. Financing by Bank of China, et al. New cash of \$100.0 million was planned.

During the course of this project we looked for financial management in New York. This required someone with financial institution and sovereign relations experience, especially with China and the Far East. Mr Archer was chosen to lead this effort. Over the next three years I worked with Mr. Archer on the multinational financing and other aspects of the venture. I associated with many people from several countries that had worked with him over many years. Without exception, Mr Archer was highly respected and universally admired for his character and integrity.

All who know him were staggered by the indictment that resulted in his trial before you. Many hours, days and months of incredibility and discussions. We were further shocked by the conviction and then joyful with your dismissal. During this period I spent considerable time with Mr. Archer. We tried to keep the financial agreements together, but the commitments with institutions, especially in China ultimately failed. All the principals Mr. Archer had dealt with supported him. But the "deal" and letters of intent and agreements were all tarnished by the litigation. Criminal securities involvement inevitability requires a further assessment of risk.

Knowing his integrity, no one I know believed he could be a cheater, let alone guilty of any fraud. But the diversion of his life, a question mark, a loss of business and reputation took a toll. A devoted family man dealing with his family on this, suspected. Terrible legal financial burdens.

However, the outward grace he displayed during this time was astounding. It is in my memories as a major accomplishment of character.

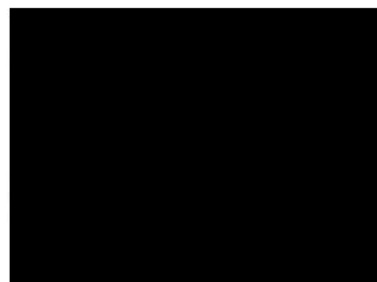
I am aware of his political involvement dating from his days at Yale. It is hard to avoid wondering if this recent judicial action by the U.S. Court of Appeals is not politically motivated because of Mr. Archer's long friendship and business association with Hunter Biden and the Democratic Party. It remains a continually waged character assassination by the Donald Trump campaign against the President Elect Biden.

Myself and his many friends remain steadfast in support of him, and this will continue. I hope that you will take consideration of the damages already inflicted on Mr. Archer and his family. He will remain an admired and productive person by all that know him and I highly recommend that he be allowed to continue that life where he can be such an influence for that integrity.

Yours truly,



Norman Hotz



January 10, 2021

Marvin Igelman



Judge Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York

Dear Judge Abrams:

My name is Marvin Igelman, and I am technology business executive based in Toronto, Canada. I am also a lawyer by profession and have been a member of the Bar of Ontario through the Law Society of Ontario since 1988.

I was recently asked by Mr. Devon Archer to provide a character reference for him to your court.

I have known Mr. Archer for nine years now, and over the years, we have explored various business-related projects together. More specifically, during the years 2013 to 2015, we worked on a Canadian telecommunication business investment project. During this period, I came to know Mr. Archer well, and as a result developed a friendship with him. In all of my dealings with Devon I have always found him to be an honest and forthright individual. As a result, I have no hesitation in offering this letter as my of support for Mr. Devon Archer.

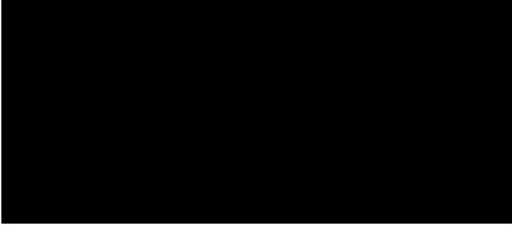
Yours Respectfully,

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Marvin Igelman



Mr. Jonathan Li



December 31, 2020

Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams,

I write on behalf of Mr. Devon Archer and this letter is a reference in support of his good characters.

I have known Devon since 2009, when I was the CEO of Bohai Industrial Investment Fund, which is China's first RMB-denominated private equity fund. As an experience financier and lawyer by training, I have always been mindful in building relationships. Devon and I met through a close personal friend and we spent several social occasions together and it was always my impression that he was a responsible, trustworthy person. In 2013, when I started a new venture, namely BHR Partners, which is a fund management firm focusing on China's outbound mergers and acquisitions, I immediately thought about Devon and invited him to become my business partner. As a result, our friendship has evolved into a personal and professional relationship, in which my trust in him is marrow deep.

Since BHR's inception, we have been in frequent contact and seen each other multiple times per year. Our interaction included a number of business meetings with various parties and transactions. During that time, I always found him to be honest, open and fair in all of the dealings I observed. Especially in international dealings involving different cultures, he was courteous and respectful of everyone and made an effort to understand the positions of all sides. Sometimes I even thought he was too accommodating and too quick to trust.

When the allegation on Devon surfaced, I was disheartened. I believe he is innocent of any ill intentions but was perhaps trapped by the misplaced trust and poor judgement. Despite the never-ending trial, Devon maintained his innocence and optimism, and kept his social and business responsibilities in order.

As Devon's friend and business partner, I write to share my perspective of his good characters, and I know he would never knowingly commit fraud or knowingly participate in any fraudulent activities.


Yours sincerely,

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Jonathan Li

January 5, 2021

James J. Mrowka



Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I'm writing to you to provide a character reference and some personal insight on Devon Archer that you may find useful. I first met Devon over four years ago, around the time that we both began working for Atomic 47 and its subsidiaries. Like Devon, I played sports in the Ivy League (Harvard) and, having been raised in a New Haven, CT suburb, I always had interest in talking to a Yale Eli. Our friendship began quickly and over the years I have gotten to know Devon very well and have seen how he conducts himself in business and in life.

In business, I have witnessed Devon consistently act with great integrity, diligence, unselfishness and loyalty. Whether in Board meetings, pitches to prospective clients or regular internal meetings he can always be relied upon to provide honest assessments, full information and a transparency that is refreshing. He has a team-oriented mindset and always is thinking about how business opportunities can benefit the company as a whole and not how it affects him.

On personal level, I have seen how he treats all people, not just those of wealth, high status or a certain pedigree, with great respect and genuine interest in who they are and what they may be dealing with in their lives. A casual observer of Devon, might simply describe him as a "people person", but it is much deeper than that. Devon is a highly empathetic person and thinks first about how he can make the other person feel better, not about what that person can do for him. He truly lives by the adage "treat others the way you want to be treated", and I believe this is evident to all that know him well.

Lastly, regarding Devon's case, I do believe that it was Devon's optimistic, kind and non-cynical nature that led to him trusting the individuals that caused this case in the first place. Almost all people of this thoughtful and conscientious makeup, at some time or another in life get burned and taken advantage of because they trusted the wrong people. Unfortunately for Devon, when he got burned it also happened to coincide with him getting caught up in a political whirlwind that made the damage exponentially greater.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I wish the best to you and your family in the new year.

Best regards,

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James J. Mrowka
Chief Technology Officer, Atomic 47 and ePlata

January 11, 2021

Honorable Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I respectfully crave your indulgence to offer heartfelt words of support on behalf of my close friend and business associate, Devon Archer. I have never written a letter like this before so I apologize in advance if I overstep any boundary or violate any convention associated with letters of this ilk. That being said, I will confine my words to why I love Devon, and refrain from editorializing what I know about the case because I am neither a judge or a jury, merely his peer with whom he can depend upon as I always have in him.

I can personally attest to the anguish and despair my friend and his family have experienced throughout this distressing ordeal. Therefore, any way I can help relieve their pain and shed an honest light on the man often erroneously manufactured as a duplicitous, unethical boogeyman, it is my duty and privilege as his close friend to do so.

My family and I have been friends with the Archers for seven years so my personal relationship with Devon is established, built upon the elements which make for enduring, mature and mutually enriching friendships — trustworthiness, loyalty, selflessness, mutual respect and reciprocity. He brings these same personal traits into everything he does and with everyone important to him. Put simply, Devon takes each of his various identities seriously, and assumes each role with earnest enthusiasm and steadfast dedication, be it father, husband, son or brother.

It is this presence, a capacity to show up and be there for someone without inserting a personal agenda, which makes him a good man but an even better friend. Despite his own trials and tribulations, his mindfulness enables him giving more of himself and emotional support than he may, quite frankly, have to give. It is his selfless, loving presence, exemplified by a strong bear hug, staying up late with you or listening to you ramble that lets others feel a little less alone and afraid, notwithstanding his own personal struggles and fears. Devon gives what Zen Buddhist Thich Nhat Hanh refers to as the most precious gift we have to offer: our attention.

Being my friend is one thing but being a friend to my tribe is another one altogether. I would never expose my wife, daughter and soon-to-be-born daughter to someone I did not believe would be a positive presence in their lives. In fact, I vividly recall when Tío Devon surprised my four-year-old daughter, [REDACTED] with tickets to a New York Jets-New England Patriots game at MetLife; a seemingly sweet gesture until you learn that we are gluttons for pain as diehard supporters of the New York Jets. In any event, we visited New York for an unrelated matter and Tío Devon drove over from Brooklyn to our hotel in Manhattan to surprise Sofiana with tickets so he could see her excitement about being able to witness yet another Jets loss, but this time in living color.

So, now that I think of it, Devon might not be such a great guy because he granted her access to a massacre. All joking aside, we/she never asked for the tickets but he, being a terrific father, took it upon himself to not only purchase the tickets, but also hand deliver them so Tío Devon could experience that sheer joy with Sofiana.

As a fan of Frank Sinatra, I recall anecdotes about live audiences listening to him and each person feeling as though Sinatra sang only to them. Please do not relay to Devon that I am using a Sinatra analogy to attest to his character or his ego will never let me hear the end of it. Truthfully, though, that is how it feels to be around Devon; he makes you feel as though you are the only person in the room.

His attention to those who matter to him and his "I'm here for youness" lets people in and allows for deeper connections. It is that authentic connection with others that makes him such a trustworthy and reliable friend. Plus, he is an ebullient, worldly, self-effacing and charming guy so not only does he fully give of himself, but he also makes you better when he does.

Being in business with Devon is no different, as I have witnessed this social capital-driven, relationship-centric charm offensive in every corner of the globe. Whenever I hear the tired "it is not what you know, it is who you know" mantra, I slightly tweak it instead with "it is not who you know, but rather who you keep in touch with." Devon personifies this spectacularly, as his presence nurtures special relationships across sectors, industries and borders. He is a human LinkedIn but not in the way others expand their networks. Devon is a curator of friendships, not a collector of business cards.

The competitive advantage this "friend of the world" persona affords our business interests is immeasurable. I get courtside seats to see him connect with old friends or new acquaintances alike; a genuine connection of which I am fortunate to be a direct beneficiary.

I acknowledge this reads like a love letter but it is because I love my friend, and it is because of said attributes that I can understand why people wish to tear him down. It is easy not to like Devon because he possesses the qualities others envy, making him an easy target.

What saddens me most is although Devon is the one in the crosshairs, it does not exempt his family from becoming collateral damage. It hurts me to see my friend portrayed in the media as

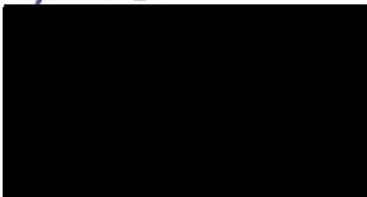
a villain, rumored about as a shadowy figure in gossip columns and demonized on social media as a fraud. However, the injury it has caused his wife and her medical practice and the trauma it has inflicted upon his young children, namely his eldest son, hurts me more because that emotional vandalism is irreversible. The defamation of his name and his character will forever cast a shadow over any personal or professional pursuits.

Your honor, I thank you for your time and consideration. Knowing Devon, I am certainly not the only one submitting a letter because there are others who also wish to help our dear friend in any way possible. Judge Abrams, regardless of the outcome, my family and I will be there for Devon, Krista, [REDACTED] Devon has been and will continue to be my family, as I strive to be as present in his life as he has been in ours. I am blessed to benefit from his humanity, I just hope others find it in their hearts to show some to him. I am at your disposal or at the disposal of the court to speak further on his behalf

With profound respect,



Fred Licon



Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern [District of New York](#)
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[New York, NY 10007](#)

Re: Devon Archer

Dear Judge Abrams,

I am providing this letter as a character reference for Devon Archer. I believe I am qualified to provide such a reference given my close working relationship with Devon over the last 5 years. Building a business is not easy feat. Building a technology company that spans the US, Latin America and Asia is even more challenging. Working closely with someone in the face of constant adversity and success provides deeper insights on the character of a colleague. Entrepreneurial teams are similar to hyper-competitive sport teams. We are constantly assessing each other's strengths and weaknesses on the field, and continuously working to improve how we cooperate and interplay.

By way of background, I am from the Philippines. I went to Middlebury College to pursue a liberal arts education, and completed the Owner President Management (OPM) at Harvard Business School. I also recently completed the Kauffman Fellowship in 2018 (Class 21). I serve as a director on the board of Atomic 47, a US fintech company that operates an electronic wallet. The goal of the company is to make cross border remittance better, faster and cheaper. I am also on the board of Mobile Pole Position (MPP), a Singapore fintech investment firm focused on Southeast Asia (SEA). MPP has invested in some of the most exciting fintech companies coming out of SEA. Devon has worked in a senior management capacity both in Atomic 47 and MPP during my tenure.

Over the last 5 years, I am proud to say that through direct efforts of Devon and myself, we have accomplished the following:

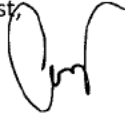
- Atomic 47 secured a technology licensing deal with Ipay commerce ventures (ipay), a leading fintech (remittance and ewallet operator) in the Philippines. Ipay is licensed by the central bank of the Philippines. Ipay seeks to provide basic financial services to the unbanked (70% of the Philippines).
- Atomic 47 has acquired a minority stake in MPP.
- MPP has invested in a range of companies in Southeast Asia including one of the fastest growing electronic remittance companies in Southeast Asia (Philippines, Indonesia, India), a ride-hailing platform, and virtual asset custody platform led by one of the former founders of one the leading custody platform in the USA.

In all of my dealings and work with Devon, he has exhibited discipline, hard work, commitment to the success of whichever project we were handling at that time, and integrity. I have had zero issues or 'red flags' at work over the last 5 years. As a serial entrepreneur and venture capital investor, I am trained to assess people and make a judgement call on their character. I have caught many bad apples over my career. I have no doubt on Devon's character and integrity in any of my dealings with him.

I hope this letter provides a reference point and more clarity through an unbiased lens. I would like to end with a quote from Socrates. "Is it true; is it kind, or is it necessary?" Devon's work with us

continues to be important and we hope that he will be able to continue to do so unfettered and uninhibited so he can reach his full potential which will no doubt lead to valuable contributions for society.

Best,

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Enrique Y Gonzalez



CALLIE DE QUEVEDO

January 7, 2021

Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 1007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I am reaching out today to offer my insight into the character of Devon Archer, in hopes that the experience of a close colleague and friend may be helpful when considering his current case. I have worked closely with Devon for 2 years at Atomic 47, LLC., where Devon oversees Business Affairs and I serve as Chief Marketing Officer for a portfolio of several fintech companies. In this capacity, I have had the opportunity and the privilege to get to know Devon on both a professional and personal level.

Devon epitomizes the word “leadership,” and he does so masterfully, honorably, and with integrity. He has built a supportive community and culture within our organization that is based on clear vision, open communication, close collaboration, and mutual respect. Devon models the values of our culture in his own management style, personality, and relationships within our team. I feel confident that I speak for both myself and my colleagues when I share that Devon has guided our team through some incredibly tough challenges, especially in the last 9 months as we have weathered the pandemic together. Just as the finances of the company started to experience a toll, Devon pivoted the business strategy, rallied the troops, and navigated one of our fintech companies into the world of PPE. With pure commitment to keeping our businesses and colleagues afloat, Devon quickly and fearlessly applied the mechanics of a brand new business model. Furthermore, his excellent reputation and trusted relationships made it possible for us to secure several enterprise-level accounts immediately, allowing us to keep the full team employed despite the harrowing times. It is also worth mentioning that as a key player in business development, Devon consistently manages to easily gain the trust of clients, understand their unique objectives and business needs, and nurture their relationships - all of which draw from his natural charisma, service orientation, and a deep care and concern for others.

On a personal level, the best way to describe Devon is to say that when you meet him for the first time, you've known him all your life. He is unfailingly warm and generous, and kind. Two years ago, I found in him an instant, protective big brother, who has made even some of the most arduous work trips across the globe a pleasure with his upbeat attitude and fun-loving sense of humor. To know Devon is to also understand that he is a family man at heart, who is every bit the affable leader at home with his wife and adoring children as he is at the office with his colleagues.

I respectfully submit these personal experiences and observations in hopes that they can help provide a well-rounded idea of who Devon is outside of the courtroom. Thank you for your time and consideration.

With my deepest respects,

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Callie de Quevedo
Chief Marketing Officer
Atomic 47, LLC

Brad Cohen

January 5th, 2021

Judge Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Devon Archer a close friend, business associate, and whom I have known for over 12 years. Devon and I have done business together in the US, Asia, and Latin America. I consider Devon not only as an adviser but also as a confidant and all-around excellent human being.

Devon and I first met when I was living in Vail, Colorado by a connection between a mutual friend in 2008. We first started working together to try and bring in critically important security equipment for the Indian Government which was sparked by the attacks that took place against the people of Mumbai on November 26, 2008. From India, our business led us to China, the US, and Latin America. In fact, I was thrilled to be able to lead Devon's first trip to India in the spring of 2009.

Around 2009-2011 my family and I invested over \$150,000 into his company's TALF program which came after the financial crisis in 2008. We entrusted our money with his company, Rosemont, to handle our investment for us and hopefully make a positive return. However, the real reason why I decided to invest was due to my confidence in Devon himself. This investment proved to be one of the better investments that we've made as a family. In the end, we received our entire principle back and made over an 18% return on our investment. Devon followed through on everything he promised. In fact, my sisters and other family members commented on how professional and honest Devon's company was but specifically highlighted Devon and his professional ethical approach to business.

Devon and I continued to do business together. Devon helped my company LYCOS.com expand throughout Latin American and China. I had the pleasure of traveling to China with Devon on several occasions. My company relied heavily on Devon to help us expand and explore new opportunities.

Devon and I have stayed in regular communication over all of these years and in the Spring of 2020, we learned that both of our companies were working hard to bring in critical medical equipment and supplies into the US. We both had the same goal of helping people first. Devon is that kind of man. I've

seen him act selfless and put other people first over his own interest. He's honest, hard-working, and ethical. Doing business in austere business environments such as China and India, you run into many 'characters' and many people do not hold the same ethical business values as you find commonplace in the US. Long before Devon's case came to light, I would often say to my associates that Devon is one of those people who always work in a transparent and ethical manner and there was never any funny business, Devon always takes the high road.

When I heard about his court case I was completely shocked. I didn't believe (and still don't) that Devon could have knowingly taken part in anything that Devon allegedly was involved with related to the court case. Devon asked if I would write a letter on his behalf. I was honored that he asked and I take this request seriously. I want you to know from the bottom of my heart that I know Devon Archer is a decent, and ethical man. With all due respect to your honor, Devon does not deserve what's been handed to him. Devon is one of the 'Good Guys'. Devon is one of the smartest, kindest, honest, and ethical individuals that I've worked with over my 30 years in business. I am honored to call him a friend and business partner.

I respectfully ask that you consider the words that I have chosen about Devon Archer when you are making a judgment.

Sincerely,

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Bradley N. Cohen

January 5, 2021

Honorable Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse
40 Foley Square
New York, New York 10007

Dear Judge Abrams,

I first met Devon Archer in May 2017. At that time, Devon began working with a company to which my software engineering firm has provided consulting and development services for several years. In the nearly four years I have known Devon, we have developed a close professional and personal relationship.

Devon has served, and continues to serve, in several roles for my client, from capital raising, to merger negotiation, to business development. Frequently, as the technology assets my firm has developed for this client have been relevant to Devon's activities, I work closely with him and often the third-party investors and operators with which he has engaged. I can therefore say, unequivocally, that with respect to his professional conduct, Devon has always acted ethically and honorably, taking a fair-minded approach with the aim of benefitting both my client and the many companies with which my client sought to transact.

Devon brings to bear a rare skill set drawing from decades of extensive, broad-based experience in finance and a diversity of industries. Among his many professional virtues, he consistently provides authoritative guidance on the handling of often complicated negotiations, from early stages through contract formalization. Invariably, Devon strives for complete transparency with his counterparts; I have personally been

present in meetings where Devon has thoroughly detailed the technical, regulatory and general market entry risks to potential investors, and sought to answer all questions regarding a complex corporate structure in a direct and clear manner.

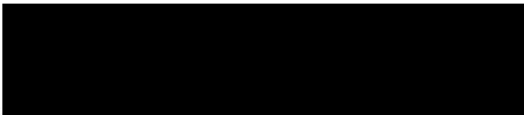
I believe Devon takes this approach in his business dealings not only for the sake of its effectiveness, but also because he seeks to foster genuine personal relationships with all those with whom he does business—sincere relationships built on honesty and trust and maintained through the accountability and responsibilities that attend true friendships. His ability to form such lasting friendships from what begin as strictly business interactions is, in my experience, unique.

On a personal note, Devon has been a true friend, at all times generous and supportive. Better than most, he manages to make time for the many people in his personal life while engaged in a diversity of demanding professional pursuits. I therefore write to affirm that, in my experience, Devon Archer has been a person of the highest character and integrity, dedicated to principle and his commitment to fairness.

Sincerely,

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Athanasios Christ
Chief Executive Officer
Genesant Technologies, Inc.



Antonio Morales
Chairman
ABS Partners Ltd



Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

London, 13th October 2018

Character Reference – Devon Archer Esq

Your Honor,

It is a pleasure and honour for me to provide a character reference for Mr. Devon Archer, whom I have known as a business colleague and friend for a period of five years. Over these years, I have gotten to know him extremely well. As such, I believe that I am pretty well qualified to provide you with an accurate assessment of his character.

I first met in China at a Board Meeting of our business associates there, a company called BHR. From that very moment I felt there was a special connection between us, two similar minds battling in the always difficult world of trying to do business in China and engage with the local mentality. Something, however, that I must admit that we have both succeeded in doing. As a businessman, Devon always has the attention of the people that are present at business meetings, conference and similar gatherings. He has charisma.

I have references from various very high profile people that, as an academic (so, before the time we first met) Devon truly excelled and was highly dedicated to his education at Yale.

And as a friend, Devon is simply amazing, outstanding, terrific. He is honest, loyal, thoughtful of others, and very supportive. He always tries to see and understand things from the other person's perspective. In my last trip to the US this past August, for instance, I was going through a bad period for personal (family) reasons. Devon was so very supportive that it is simply too difficult to describe in words his dedication and concern to my problem. I can say that Devon communicates very well and knows how to raise and discuss issues and problems in a non-threatening and always pleasant manner. He is a very sensitive person and is always tuned in to how others might be feeling in a given situation. And he is a man that comes up with very thoughtful solutions to any problems or situations that may arise.

Devon is one of the most dedicated family persons that I have ever encountered. His children and wife simply adore him. And the children of others also love him to pieces. Like my kids, who think that "Devon is awesome".

I honestly cannot think of anything of consequence that I could say negatively when it comes to Devon. Overall, I have to say that he is a terrific person, well-balanced man with an abundance of positive qualities. I am very proud to call him my trusted friend.

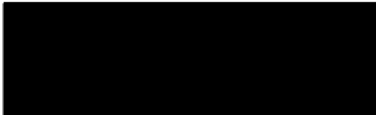
If you would like discuss Devon's personal characteristics and attributes in further detail, please feel free to write to me or alternatively call me on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Antonio Morales". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Antonio Morales
Chairman of the Board

Arthur Maxwell



Honorable Judge Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams

My name is Arthur Maxwell and I reside with my wife and our daughters. Massachusetts became my home in 1976. I am 63 years old, husband, father of three, and moderately successful entrepreneur. In the late 1980's I founded a company commercially known as AIS, www.ais-inc.com that is one of the largest commercial furniture manufacturers in the United States.

From time to time I am asked to send letters of recommendation for potential employees, for perspective Board Members or for young individuals hoping to be accepted to institutions of higher education. I take these opportunities seriously as they can influence the future for most.

I was introduced to Devon Archer more than 7 years ago. The introduction came through one of my closest friends who had known Devon for many years. I have spent time with Devon and his family, attended recreational sporting events and have done business with him. I have met professionals that have had relationships with him from all walks of life and from geographies globally. They, like me, have found him to be generous, intelligent, kind and of high integrity. That said, he is a family first man of dignity and that characteristic alone defines not only Devon but many of my close personal relationships.

It's not easy to vogue for someone's character because we all know that we only get, at best, to see most of what someone is all about. I've long ago, moved on from providing the 100% hall pass for friends or business associates, because that only can result in one being let down. Devon is an exception to that rule

I have been following Devon's legal challenges since the beginning. I have watched as I've seen the air taken out of the tires of his home life and his career, his character under constant attack and even those who are merely acquaintances step up and volunteer to assist him to achieve vindication. This letter of support and recommendation, I asked if I might author in attempt to help a man who is energetic and inspiring. I hope to aide in restoring his reputation and clear this costly and painful blemish on his resume.

Procedurally, I am unfamiliar with how the cadence works from here going forward. The what happens next or what the time frames are is not clear. I remain hopeful that our system continues to provide those without guilt with the high probability of success in these matters.

I am confident that there has been no wrongdoing by Devon in the matters before the court.

Thank you for reading my letter and if you are interested in further information I may be reached by email amaxwell@ais-inc.com or by my mobile phone [REDACTED]

Happy and Healthy New Year

My best

Arthur Maxwell

Ms. Xin Wang



October 13, 2018

Dear Judge Abrams,

I am writing this letter on my bi-weekly flight from Beijing to Shanghai where I spend the weekend visiting with my father, a Parkinson's patient. This letter of course has nothing to do with my father, or with Parkinson's disease, it is a character reference in support of Devon Archer. I am certain others will attest to Devon's caring and loving nature as a spouse, as a father, as a friend, but for me, his sincerity and kindness are reflected in his support and concerns for my father and for my frustrations in dealing with my father's worsening condition. I first met Devon four years ago in his capacity as a business partner to the private equity firm that I had just joined, and throughout the years, notwithstanding the distance between New York and Beijing or the squabbles we often have over investment decisions, he has become a friend, and the friend I know would never knowingly commit fraud or knowingly participate in any fraudulent activities.

As the child of a first generation immigrant and a lawyer by training, I have always been of a reserved and cautious nature, a trait (or some might argue, a burden) which I carry when fraternizing with others. My relationship with Devon started on professional footings, he was, in my initial impressions acquired from discussing investment opportunities with him, positive and optimistic to the point of child-like buoyancy – he was always excited about new prospects, he was quick to trust, he was easy to engage and above all, he never wavered in hope. Our professional relationship slowly evolved into a personal friendship as he helped me ease into my new position as a private equity fund manager. He would jubilantly introduce me to his various contacts, relentlessly send me investment decks to scrutinize and resolutely challenge my lawyerly skeptical ways. As I got to know him and his family better, what I first took to be gullibility turned out to be a genuine willingness to give people the benefit of the doubt. "To trust as one would expect to be trusted" was something he practiced, and it sounds great as a bumper sticker, but so does "reality bites".

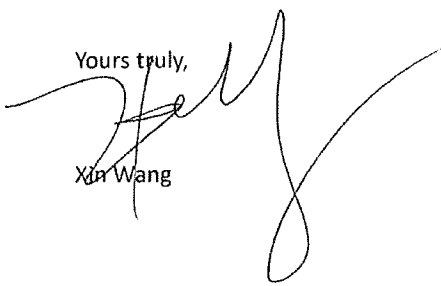
I believe that one's character, good or otherwise, is not easily discerned through the lens of routine observations but best manifested in unexpected circumstances. When the allegations of securities fraud surfaced, we were all disheartened but Devon maintained his innocence and his optimism. He is certainly not innocent of poor judgement or lack of due diligence but I do believe that he is innocent of any ill intentions and that his involvement is the unfortunate result of a grievously misplaced trust. In the months following the indictment and throughout the trial, Devon kept going with his social and business responsibilities, remained optimistic, and always

inquired after Daddy Wang – to me, this simple “how is he doing” is a testament of his good-natured character.

The law and the violation of which call for consequences, neither ignorance of the law nor ignorance of one’s unwitting role in violating the law is an excuse for the resulting violations and injuries. Devon needs to and will own his mistakes and his share of responsibilities in the injuries committed, however, as his friend, I write to share a different perspective of his character, a perspective which may not have been apparent in the evidence presented to your honor but which may be fundamental in your judgement of him.

Yours truly,

Xin Wang



January 7, 2021

Hon. Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

I met Devon Archer over 15 years ago when I was living in New York through one of his close friends who is my relative (and served in the Obama administration's 2nd term). Over the years, both while in New York and since I moved to Asia to run an investment business, I have developed a strong personal and business relationship with Devon.

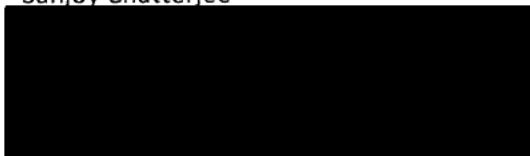
Apart from having several friends in common, Devon and I both work in the private investment business and we have spent hours working on potential investments/joint ventures in Asia and the US as well as have referred investors/sources of capital to each other. Once I got to know Devon well, I found in him an incredibly honest person who will never lie or stretch the truth no matter what the situation and who always follows through on his commitments. The combination one finds in Devon - a truly ethical person with an excellent work ethic - is incredibly hard to find especially in the world of private investments and capital raising - *anywhere* in the world.

It is with great disappointment that I saw Devon get dragged back, due to political machinations in Washington D.C, by the Second Circuit into the 2018 indictment which accused Devon of being part of a scheme to defraud the Wakpamni Lake Community Corporation of the Oglala Sioux Tribe (a wrongful verdict on which you had so rightfully overturned back then). I know that Devon would never be capable of committing the criminal acts/fraud of which he was accused. Based on knowing him over all these years, should other relevant business opportunities arise where we could work together, I would not hesitate to partner with Devon nor would I hesitate to refer institutional investors or sovereign wealth funds to Devon for deals/funds for which he is raising capital.

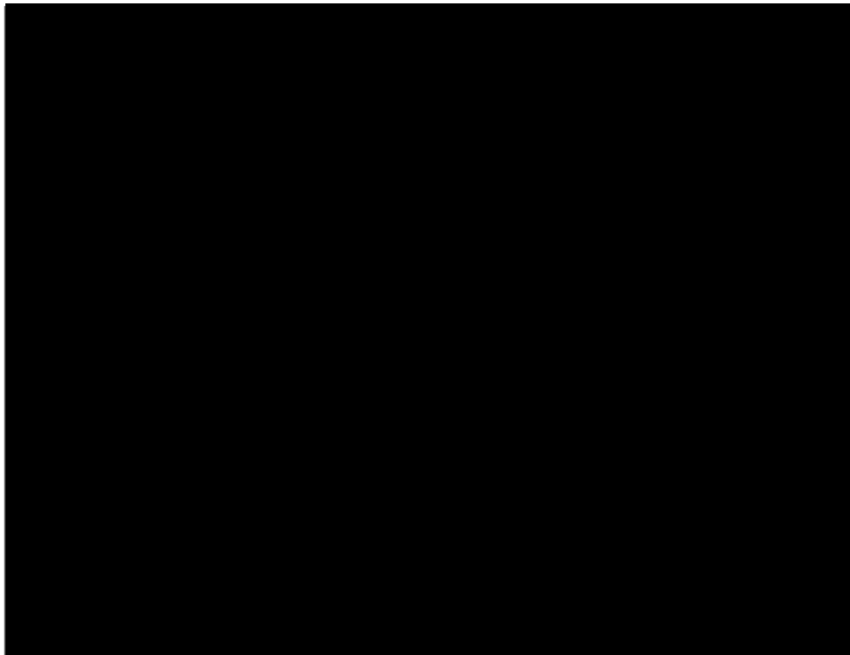
Yours sincerely,



Sanjoy Chatterjee



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Monday, October 15, 2018

To the Attention of Judge Ronnie Abrams
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square, Room 2203
New York, New York 10007

Dear Judge Abrams:

Allow me, please, to offer a few words of strong support on behalf of one, Devon Archer.

We met through a humanitarian project back in 1997, shortly after he had relocated to Hanoi, Vietnam, having been placed there by Citi Bank for an assignment in their main headquarters. At that time I was Executive Director of World Team Sports, an international sports charity, based at that time in Charlotte, North Carolina. We had been introduced through mutual friends and through a great humanitarian who was doing work in Vietnam. I was responsible for negotiating with the Vietnamese government around a spectacular sports event which was to take place the following year--and we were in need of garnering support, from both the Vietnamese government and from American based businesses in Vietnam. Mr. Archer immediately grasped the importance of our project--largely because he is the son of a Vietnam veteran, and we were there putting plans together to bring both veterans of the war years together, Americans with Vietnamese. It was a grueling project and Mr. Archer became an integral part of our planning, and ultimately the execution of the event which took place in the early months of 1998. He served as an on the ground Ambassador and spokesperson and he participated in this thirteen day journey. He was an incredible support--and because the majority of team members were disabled veterans, we needed all kinds of support systems in place and because of his belief in what this project stood for, but what he could do to help reconcile the differences between our two countries, he made an indelible mark on the project. He was a powerful support system and his warmth, and caring and advocacy on behalf of these veterans was an exemplary model for others--and as a part of the younger generation, he was an inspiration to these team members, certainly the older veterans. But he also was there to represent his father, passing to him the opportunity to help heal the wounds of an awful war.

That experience also put Mr. Archer in front of and a part of a number of other powerful and influential business leaders and following the completion of this successful project, he was hired by one of the executives who was on the project. Again, his warmth, good cheer and genuine caring about the team members made a mark on this individual, too. He also was instrumental in helping to create a powerful and award-winning documentary film, working tirelessly to help find the resources to make it, and to then help distribute it around the world. He did this as a way to make certain the goodness of the project, what it did and what it stood for could be shared around the globe, and most certainly in the veterans community. He, in essence, exemplified what a true humanitarian is, what they

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stand for, and how powerful their actions can influence and do good for others. He made an impression on me at that time which I have carried with me for my lifetime.

Through this experience and the subsequent years, we worked on a number of charity projects and events and the year after our important Vietnam project, my wife and I adopted an infant from Vietnam—a boy who had been born to a poor Vietnamese couple who had willingly given up their child. He was given to us as our son at the age of two weeks and to that day, he is a loved and accomplished son, now studying in a college in Connecticut. Because of our faith and upbringing, it was important to have our son baptized and to be given godparents—important figures in their lives to help shape them, provide good and decent and moral influences, and to be there if something were even to happen to us. It was an easy decision when selecting our son's godfather. Devon Archer was selected, present at his baptism and has, now, been a fixture in our son's life. He is there to protect and to support and to demonstrate a sense of caring and love for mankind. Our son has stood by during these challenging times. Our son believes Devon Archer to be a good and decent and honorable man. Our son believes in his godfather, and will be there, always to support him. My wife and I do, too. He is a man full of goodness and he cares deeply about what is important in this world, and he believes we are here to protect and support, and to love each other. We know him as this kind of person and we know of the powerful actions and many, many good acts he has performed in our lives—and in our son's lifetime. He is both generous of heart, and soul and we have witnessed, first hand, how much he cares and how much he does for individuals who have been neglected or deprived and who need a helping hand. He demonstrated those acts in Vietnam over twenty years ago and he continues to do that today.

We believe in what reconciliation is all about, again, because of our experiences of what this project was all about in Vietnam. Devon Archer lived that first hand and I believe through it, learned a valuable lesson. I believe that lesson is and will be carried forth today in his life. We have seen that first hand, even in the last several months as he has interacted, communicated and spoken to our son about the consequences of his life—what they mean, and what we all have to do, again, to reconcile. We believe in his goodness as a human being and we are, still, certain that he is that steady and ever-present person who our son needs—and who is certainly, just now, needed by his own children.

I share these words from our own personal and unique experiences over the last two decades with Devon Archer. Our son, just recently commented, that he desired to be in the court room on the day of his godfather's sentencing. A difficult day for all of us but we hope to be present, physically there to demonstrate our belief and support, but also there in a profound symbolic way to say that he is an honorable person, who cares deeply about others, and who has show love and affection to our son—as he has to his own children and to his wife, and family.

With profound respect,



Stephen Whisnant

Stephen Whisnant
Founder and Managing Director
Whisnant Strategies, LLC



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