

VICTIM STATEMENT

November 22, 2018

The Honorable Judge Strothers
McLennan County Courthouse
Waco, Texas

Subject: Texas vs Jacob Walter Anderson: Donna Doe victim impact letter asking the judge to deny the plea bargain

Dear Judge Strothers,

Thank you for reading my letter and taking the time to understand the reality and facts of this case against Jacob Walter Anderson before you make a decision on a plea bargain to set free the man who raped me and ruined my life.

On February 21, 2016 when I was a 19 year old, Sophomore at Baylor University, Jacob Walter Anderson took me to a secluded area behind a tent and proceeded to violently and repeatedly rape me. He repeatedly raped me orally and vaginally while choking me, gagging me and physically forcing my body into positions so he could continue to rape me. I had no control over my body and no way to stop him. (please see my original written police statement) When I collapsed on the ground he pulled down his pants and shoved his penis in my mouth and down my throat gagging me. When he forcefully picked me up and shoved me into a wall to rape me vaginally from behind he calmly and coldly said "It's fine. You're fine" When I tried to pull up my pants or sit he shoved me to the ground and shoved his penis back down my throat and continued to choke me. When he forced me up again and started to rape me vaginally again I blacked out permanently. When I was completely unconscious he dumped me face down in the dirt and left me there to die. He had taken what he wanted, had proven his power over my body. He then walked home and went to bed without a second thought to the ravaged, half dead woman he had left behind.

When I regained consciousness I did not know where I was. I was lying in the grass and dirt and something sticky was on my face. As I continued to throw up I realized I had been vomiting and aspirating while I was unconscious. My friends immediately took me to the hospital and a SANE exam verified the rape. I had trauma and tearing and grass inside my vagina. I was treated for HIV and many STDs and told to take plan B. I had to get labs done two more times over the next year to make sure I do not have HIV or STDs. Everytime is stressful, wondering if I might still die as a result of being raped. The police arrived and took a report.

The SANE exam feels like you are being raped all over again and is very traumatic. I did not want to take the plan B, because I thought it was an abortion pill and I am Roman Catholic and believe abortion is a sin. This was just another horrifying event on top of the rape and assault. It also was a reminder that this rapist, Jacob Anderson had stolen something very valuable, in fact priceless from me...my virginity! I will not be able to come to my future husband innocent and untouched. I had saved myself for my wedding night and Jacob Anderson stole that from me!

The details of the last 2 years and 10 months of my life are horrible and sad. The many doctor appointments, sessions with therapists and psychiatrists, the anxiety attacks, nightmares and suicidal thoughts are too many to list. Every day I have to deal with words or events that trigger memories or anxiety attacks. Some days I had to call my mother who would talk to me for an hour or more before I could function again. There have been many days when I just wanted to end it all and did not want to live. I will summarize by saying I became suicidal and although my mother came to Texas to live with me, I finally had to leave Baylor and go live at home. The constant fear and anxiety was overwhelming. Seeing him in my community and having a private detective stalking me took me over the edge. I am on medication and have been to many therapists and psychiatrists. I still live at home and have not been able to move out on my own yet.

From the beginning Prosecutor Hilary Laborde told us the following things:

1. I have more evidence in this case than any rape case I have tried before. He will definitely be convicted, it's just a matter of his punishment. Just go up and tell your story. This case is cut and dry and he will be convicted.
2. Only 1% of rape victims have this level of trauma and tearing and this is very good medical evidence to prove the rape.
3. Someone from Baylor Law school who I know, called me and said he has seen Jacob Anderson at bars feeding girls drinks and acting sexually inappropriate. So much so that it made him very uncomfortable and he felt the need to call and tell me.
4. I'm pretty sure he's done this before. I'm really worried he's going to do it again.
5. This is not his first time. Rapists work up to this kind of violence. The more they get away with it the more they do.
6. He had porn on his phone. Violent acts like what he did to you.
7. I think they were trying to see if I would let him plea to some lesser offense as a way of getting the case closed. I SAID NO. I think they wanted more time once they saw the

opportunity to get it. (It was my office's mistake) Sadly, I've had defense attorneys play much dirtier than this. Ultimately, I think the delay will help the case.

Ms. Laborde offered the first plea to Jacob Anderson before she had read the Title IX report or any of the witness statements. We found out when my mother came in with my brother to give his statement. We were so angry and felt so betrayed. Jacob Anderson declined the plea which included 10 years of probation and registering as a sex offender. She PROMISED she would not offer another plea. We found out about this current plea by reading about it in the Waco Tribune.

Throughout the years she kept telling us the defense gets to pick to the date and they had not done so. Then they kept delaying or were not available. Then when we finally had a date, April 16, 2018, and witnesses had all been subpoenaed, she let the defense delay it again. Apparently, she never sent them the Title IX report that everyone, including the defense, has had access to since August of 2016 when Baylor sent everyone involved a PERPA letter. They already had over two years to prepare for trial.

It took six months just to get the DA to respond to my original request for a restraining order. I filled out the forms the day after the rape. When Anderson was arrested, the DA never bothered to enter his bond restrictions into the system, so when he appeared in my housing community and I called the police they had no record of his arrest or the bond limitations and could not protect me. The defense had hired a private investigator to follow me, stalk me and intimidate me. There was no one protecting me.

The continued fear has been so great that I was unable to return to Waco to walk in my graduation ceremony. Another dream stolen from me. I have not returned to Waco. On December 10, 2018, I will summon my courage and return to Waco to hear your decision.

This plea is so hard to believe and I can't understand where it even came from. After losing a case, Ms. Laborde says she decided she could not win a rape case until he rapes multiple victims. She decided that the previously thought great medical evidence of trauma and tearing would just be attributed to my virginity. She thought my actions were similar to the victim in the case she lost. This is not true in the slightest. I did not go home with Jacob Anderson and fall asleep on his couch and wake up in his bed. I was repeatedly raped behind a tent and left unconscious to die! Being drunk is no excuse to rape a woman. She's apparently so worried that Jacob Anderson will rape more girls that she feels it's more important to put him into counseling rather than prison. This makes no sense. (please see Hilary Laborde's letter to me)

"if he's just found not guilty, there will be no reason to think his conduct will be different the next time he's in a bar and finds a woman who can't defend herself."

Hilary Laborde

The current DA Abel Reyna has never spoken to any of us and has not been involved in this case. His response in the media to the plea is that if he can't prove the drink (toxic everclear punch) had an additional drug in it then he won't bother to try the case. Well I would like to remind Mr.Reyna that RAPE is a crime! RAPE is a felony crime! It does not matter one bit if there was an extra drug in my drink. I was intoxicated and incapacitated and sedated from whatever was in that punch and did not consent to having Jacob Anderson physically assault me, choke me, orally and vaginally rape me repeatedly until he almost killed me! A grand jury indicted Jacob Anderson on four counts of sexual assault punishable with up to 20 years of prison per count and now the DA is letting him go completely free and have his record completely wiped clean! This is an absolute tragedy. What will they tell the next victim when she questions why she did not know Jacob Anderson was a sex offender? How does she think the girls in his current College classes feel knowing they could have been his next victim? By the Grace of God I am alive today to fight this injustice. One breath either way and Jacob Walter Anderson would be on trial for murder. I am writing this letter to hold the DA accountable to do their job and seek justice. To hold Jacob Anderson accountable for his crimes. He raped me. He almost killed me. A grand jury indicted him on four counts of sexual assault, not unlawful restraint.

Many women are terrified to report rape. The rape ruins your life and the reporting of rape ruins your life. It has affected everyone around me. My friends, my family and even people who do not know what is going on, because I have changed. I am no longer the person they once knew. I have gone years without being able to socialize. I have to take baby steps everyday to heal and function as I did before the rape. My entire family has been affected. My mother has had to handle most of the legal issues in addition to taking care of me. It has deeply and negatively affected her physically and emotionally. She has been the wall protecting me and has absorbed so much to protect me from further harm. My father has been so supportive of my recovery and has to deal daily with the fact that the man who raped and nearly killed his daughter is roaming around free.

I wonder if other women in Waco will report their rapes if Jacob Anderson gets this plea? Why would they bother? I reported this rape immediately. I immediately identified the rapist as Jacob Anderson. I immediately went to the hospital. I gave a police report to the Waco Police. I gave a report to the Baylor police. I gave a report to Title IX. I suffered through a months long Title IX investigation. I had to repeat the facts and relive that night over and over again so that the justice system could do their job. I put my faith in the McLennan County DA office and they betrayed me. It's like a knife in my gut.

A grand jury indicted Jacob Walter Anderson on four counts of sexual assault. The evidence has not changed since then. He still raped me and left me to die. Nothing has changed except the confidence of an ADA who doesn't want to risk her win loss record, or a DA who is on his way out and doesn't care anymore. What else could possible have instigated this horrible plea deal? It is a very sad state of affairs when the prosecutor is now just another attorney for the defense.

Who is left to stand up for me, the rape victim? Who is left to stand up for truth and justice?

There is no reason why this case should not go to trial. I would like this case to go to trial. The evidence should be heard. Witnesses should be heard. A judge and jury of his peers should decide if he is innocent or guilty and then and only then should he be sentenced and have to register as a sex offender.

Thank you for reading my letter and thank you for considering how Jacob Anderson raping me has affected my life and the life of my family and friends.

Sincerely,
Donna Doe