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Hello my darling daughter!

I never once felt like you had abandoned me, so put that thought right out of your mind! I am doing O.K., under the circumstances. You know I was never a big fan of the government before this all happened - you can imagine how much I appreciate it now! Regarding the new judge. If you will recall, we had a bond hearing before Judge BIAS, and she refused to follow prior case law and she refused my bond request. Later, she refused my request for indigent status, even though I qualified. She has clearly showed a bias against me and is living up to her name! My lawyer put forth a motion for Judge BIAS to recuse herself from the case, citing all her biased rulings from the indigency hearing. Too much time had passed to cite anything from the bond hearing, though she was clearly biased then as well. She agreed to recuse herself, basically agreeing that she is biased against me. So now we have a new judge, one with more experience. We get a new bond hearing, which I'm told will be held on July 12. After that, we'll get another hearing on the indigency status. Hopefully then the State will pay my defense expenses.

The lady D.A., Angela Corey, has listed so many witnesses (100+) and is going to cost about \$100 per witness to conduct the deposition. She is trying to bury me in legal fees, as she knows she has no chance of a conviction. If you haven't already, ask [redacted] to e-mail you my recounting of what happened that night. The legal process almost always takes this long when you waive your right to a speedy trial. The D.A. made it impossible to mount a decent defense, as she delayed delivering the "Discovery" evidence and has listed so many potential witnesses. My attorney has asked for a list of the witnesses they plan to have testify, and they have refused. It's almost as if they're trying to hold me for as long as possible, because they know they have such a weak case against me and no chance of winning. Cory, my attorney, says I have a much stronger case of self-defense than Zimmerman does. He said that I should not worry if he loses, but it's a great sign if he wins.

I'm very happy to know you'll be studying business! I have no idea what it entails or what opportunities are available, but you had mentioned international business at one time. It seems to me that you should concentrate on your language studies along with business, and leave the dance lessons for when you're working in France! Spain has quite a dance culture as well, if you prefer to use your Spanish language skills instead. I'm sure there's even a demand for bi-lingual business people in Mexico, if you wanted to stay closer to home. You have relatives in banking over there...

So tell me about this opportunity at Nation Wide. What will you be doing? I hope you're over your stress-induced hives and your tummy is feeling better. I know how stressful it can be when you're first starting out. Your Mom and I took a bus out to California and I really didn't have a plan. I knew the insurance money from the motorcycle accident I was in would come eventually, but the idea to go to school for computers didn't come until we got there.

It's good to make plans, but try not  
to stress yourself out too much making  
them. I'm sure you'll do fine, as you  
have a good head on your shoulders  
and you are ambitious.

Next time you write, I hope you  
have good news about your job inter-  
views with nation wide.

I love and miss you very much!  
Hope to be able to call you next month!

Love,

Dad

He who has a WHY to live  
can bear almost any HOW.

-Nietzsche