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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you concerning the stiff sentencing some minors have been subjected to in the State of Connecticut.

A current individual serving over 40 years got convicted for murder without any physical evidence and without any reasonable, credible witnesses. There was nothing to link him to the crime, but because he exercised his right to defend his life when he perceived he was being ambushed by multiple adults, in the dark early morning hours, in a secluded wooden area, where the decision to preserve one's life is done in a blink of an eye, a judge went hard on him to appease the pressure exerted by those same officers that never identified themselves as police.

This young man will waste the better part of his life in prison because irresponsible cops coerced an ex-girlfriend to lure this boy to a killing zone. This irresponsible act almost cost the life of two officers as well as this young man's life.

Please consider how a bad situation can be made worse in a blink of an eye, affecting the future of our youth in the worst possible way, when you hold your hearing to decide on reducing the sentences of these young men. Whole families and communities are impacted when justice is blindsided.

Please do the right thing for our youth.

Sincerely

Wilson Ortiz