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RONALD A. GUZMAN, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

**U.S. District Court Northern District
The Honorable Ronald A. Guzman
219 S. Dearborn St. #2302B
Chicago, IL 60604**

Sir:

This is in regard to USA v. Wm Mastro, 1:12-cr 00567.

In 1998 I purchased about \$10,000 worth of photographs from a Mastro auction.

I spent 2 days at Mastro's office suite examining thousands of photos. At one point, the seller (the consigner) stopped by to say hello. Everyone knew I was interested.

The evening the auction closed (it was conducted by telephone), to my astonishment, the seller was taking our bids. I have no idea if I was bidding against a real person or simply the consigner and the auction house.

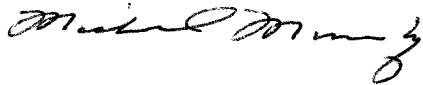
This was 7 years after the Wagner card was altered (the subject of Mr. Mastro's change of plea). This seems to suggest a questionable pattern of ethics. Certainly the lack of a level playing field.

The playwright Clifford Odets wrote of "truthful success." Mr. Mastro is a very engaging guy; he has done well. "Truthful success" doesn't

seem to have been of any great concern. Like the Tammany pol,
George Plunkett, "He seen his opportunities, and he took 'em."

This is something that I feel very strongly about. I don't believe what
happened with me is an isolated event. Thank you for hearing me out.

Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael Mumby".

Michael Mumby