

Hello everyone,

My name is Sandro Montebianco and I am the Managing Partner of Montebianco & Associates, LLC, as well as Senior Counsel in charge of Dustin Kent's defense.

Ordinarily, I do not write personal opinions in posts or boards or any social media in general, in fact, I stay away from social media for the most part in order to safeguard my privacy. However, in this case, I will happily make an exception and I will proceed to explain my reasons:

I'm originally from the Pacific Northwest but I have been practicing criminal law for many years in Peru now and in my practice, we have been counsel for plaintiffs as well as defendants in a plethora of charges and offenses. Now while most lawyers would like to believe that they only defend the innocent, the reality is that most our clients are as guilty as they come, and at \$500 an hour, its easy for us lawyers to exert that defense to the best of our ability.

However, every now and then, across our practice comes a client that stands out from the rest, a client that is actually a decent human being, a person who's life story is not only moving but also compelling, a person who's story manages to draw-in Partners, Sr. and Jr. Associates, law clerks and even the paralegals of the firm in a most unprecedented way. In our case this person has been Dustin Kent.

Folks, lets start from a simple fact that a grave travesty of the law is currently taking place in Lima, Peru and this is expressed through the arrest and wrongful incarceration in a maximum security prison of two innocent men; Dustin Kent and Kevin Critchley. My firm spearheads their defense and over the last three and a half months, we have gone through hundreds of pages of material and thus far, we have come across nothing but overwhelming evidence that proves beyond one spec of doubt that Dustin is a mere victim, a victim to a horrendous lie perpetrated by a pathological, narcissistic individual with such capacity of evil that she has schemed a carefully orchestrated plan to go from an illegal alien status to the ultimate goal of reaching US citizenship and it did not matter how many lives she needed to destroy in order to get what she wanted for her and her posse.

Dustin was granted the sole custody of his daughter and he believed the order had enough reach that would allow him to come to Peru and take his daughter,



which is what he did. The horde of lies that came thereafter, led to the charges of kidnapping, because in a treacherous scheme, the plaintiff said two “foreign” men kidnapped her daughter, thus facilitating the kidnapping charges, and because it involved a minor, it becomes aggravated kidnapping.

We are now at a point where we are making achievements *albeit slow* but achievements nonetheless. We unfortunately have to deal the lethargic nature of the legal system of an immense backlog that as you can see from the picture taken at Dustin’s kidnapping court, miscellaneous files are randomly piled on the floor, on the chairs and against the walls because there is no more room for them in central filing. Each one of those piles represents a person’s life, the life of their parents, spouse and children of that person who is most likely sitting in a prison awaiting a chance for his voice to be heard, a voice that often goes unheard.



In a nutshell folks, if you want to do some tourism or if you are a foodie, Peru is a great country to visit, but pray to GOD that you never have to face legal quarrels in the courts of this country. The courts of Peru are —*for the most part*— corrupt beyond repair, but there are however some judges and prosecutors that truly strive to uphold the honor and ethics that being an operator of the court bestows upon them, and they are willing to face and fight the beast of corruption regardless of what that may mean to their professional careers and we believe that in some of our cases, we have managed to find those blessed individuals.

Dustin and Kevin are looking at spending the next 35 years in prison but rest assured that my team and I will not let this happen. We are good at what we do and we are passionate about how we get things done.

If you have any questions about the case or would like to talk to me directly, feel free to reach out and I will be more than happy to respond.

God bless all of you who support the families in this terrible ordeal and may we reach the much-needed justice Dustin and Kevin deserve.

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