**Hardship Letter for Immigration for a Friend**

[Applicant Name]

[Address]

[Phone Number]

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[Date]

[Recipient’s Name]

[Recipient’s Address]

[City, State, Zip Code]

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter requests that the Immigration Department allow my friend Leon Smart, who is being held at [detention center] and denied entry back into America so he can return home. He left for two weeks visiting his mother but now she's saying they won't let him go because of bad weather conditions in Ghana- which isn’t true! The whole family has been waiting on this decision from them since last week when I talked with them over Skype.

It seems pretty unfair considering all their connections here; not just one child attending school full time like most African American families do these days (and three!) But mostly what upsets me is that my friend is just a really good guy who has been in this country for almost 10 years and has never had any problems. He even served two years in the Army. So, I'm writing to ask you to please let him go home.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Applicant Name]