

FREE KEVIN

Imagine being imprisoned for more than four years without a trial, without a bail hearing, and without being allowed to have any visitors outside of immediate family and legal staff. Imagine what kind of a crime you would have to commit to be eligible for this treatment. Murder? Bank robbery? Terrorism? The crime of the century, it seems, is computer hacking.

Kevin Mitnick has been in federal custody since February 15, 1995 and has never been accused of violence, causing any sort of physical damage, or stealing. Yet he has been treated far worse than any violent criminal. Even the Oklahoma City bombers had a bail hearing! And now, the federal government wants to imprison him for even longer!

HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN?



We live in an age where the brightest among us are often looked upon with fear and suspicion. The Kevin Mitnick case has been filled with inaccuracies and distortions from the very beginning. These are the facts, verifiable through court records. Kevin has not been charged with stealing, engaging in credit card fraud, causing damage to a computer system, or even breaking into a computer system. What he has been charged with is misrepresenting himself on the phone (saying he was somebody he wasn't) and coming into possession of software belonging to major cellular phone corporations. At no point has Kevin been accused of trying to sell or subvert this software - all indications are that he was simply curious how it worked and whether there were intentional privacy holes that could affect all cellular phone users. The cellular companies responded to this by claiming hundreds of millions of dollars in undocumented damages when all Kevin did - even according to the prosecution - was look at the software.

Last month, we obtained the actual letters from these companies that documented the alleged damages. What was odd was the fact that this information was never given to the companies' stockholders, as required by SEC regulations. Major media began to ask some serious questions. The federal court's response was to suppress any further letters from being released to the public. Clearly, these revelations are making them nervous.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

We're gathering outside federal courthouses throughout the nation today in an effort to get our message out - this kind of treatment is wrong and will only make victims of our nation's brightest people. We ask that you join us, either by standing with us outside this federal courthouse or by spreading the word - tell your friends, co-workers, family, etc. If you're going inside the courthouse, help us spread our message to the people inside - we strongly believe that knowledge is our strongest weapon.

On June 14, Kevin will be sentenced in a federal court in Los Angeles. The judge will have the choice of recommending more prison time or an **IMMEDIATE RELEASE** to a halfway house. We think his suffering has gone on for too long. Help us convince the authorities to give Kevin his life back.

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