I'm not even sure how to start this victim impact statement for a man I loved, cherished, and saw so many amazing days with. From day one when I met you I knew that we'd be together. I knew that we'd have a daughter and I knew we'd get married. So to be here now thinking about writing this Victim Impact Statement for how you treated our Princess your Junior Rica Jae. I am just at a loss...

Richard you could have given Rica back to me and allowed her to have a halfway normal life. You could have stepped up as a father and never allowed your girlfriend to treat your daughter in that way. You talked about Rica like she wasn't your own flesh and blood. As if Rica had done you so wrong and you didn't have any love for her.

Whatever your sentence is, it will never be enough. Rica was eight years old and you are her dad you were supposed to be protecting her from the pain that you brought to her. I only asked you to take her to keep her safe, love her and do what you promised to do for our baby. You are her father keep her safe from the evils within the child welfare system. Not knowing myself you would be so much worse than the worse thing I imagined within the system.

I was only exposed to a small part of what happened to Rica. The true torture will never be known to anyone but the people in that house, you her father included.

You took my baby, my only daughter from me to torture and abuse her. You took away a life that had so much love and imagination. Rica was my life, my twin, my lil rider but, Rica was my Princess. I'll never see a dance, a graduation, a boyfriend, her go through her horrible teens, talk her through her challenges or celebrate her accomplishments.

You took my sons sister and their future with Rica. Them being big brothers to her protecting her from the boys and supporting her in ways that brothers do.

Rica wanted to be a doctor, lawyer, vet., stylist, model, make-up artist, dancer, singer, writer most of all a mommie. You took that from her, your child.

Rica Jae is gone forever and it's all your fault. You're a piss poor father that mentally, verbally and physically abused your daughter. You let your girlfriend and her kids use our baby to entertain themselves by doing unthinkable acts to her, your own flesh and blood.

I feel like you deserve to die in Prison.

I am not God so I can't make those decisions. You may not be sentenced to death but you are going to have to answer to Christ. I get mad, I get sad, I cry, but, I also laugh. I can't hold on to your sins so I do forgive you. I pray for you. God has a purpose for all of this. Richard you can try to see where you fit in or you can go to hell. That's where I feel you should rot. But, again I am not God.

I'm just lost that I don't have my baby to love on and talk to. Rica's not here for me to watch grow up living the life you and I planned for her to live.

You took a part of me and you get to live it's not fair, you get to be free one day moving on in your life and it just don't seem fair to me or my family. I want to know why you allowed this to happen. I am not sure it's going to matter, but I really want to know if you even know why my daughter is dead and why she was tortured why you kept her from me why is my daughter dead.

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