At 6:10 A.M. before daylight on September 14, 2012 while my wife and I were sleeping in our small Franklin, TN home, agents of the U.S. Secret Service shined flashlights in our faces to awaken us and then grabbed my wife and myself literally by the wrists, pulling us from our bed and handcuffed us behind our backs. Because my wife was wearing her night clothes, the agents removed her from our bedroom and searched her person. We were unable to comfort our ten-year old daughter whom we could hear in another room or tend to our eight-month old daughter; both children being awakened by strangers entering their dark rooms.

It wasn't until after thirty minutes after agents entered our home that my wife and I learned that they were searching our home for evidence that I was the person attempted to hack into the local office of the accounting firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers computer containing Mitt Romney's undisclosed tax returns.

I am a self-employed wireless Internet service provider and web hosting/designed in Franklin, TN barely scratching out a living for my young family. You can see form the search warrant (Click Here) that

virtually all of the equipment and software I use for my business was seized, most of which to date has not been returned to me. Some of the items that have been returned were damaged. Even though much time has passed since the search warrant was executed, I may still be charged with a federal crime. However, even if the government correctly concludes my innocence that I am not the person they are seeking but continues its investigation it could be years before all of my equipment is returned to me -- if ever. Accordingly, I desperately need financial support to replace all the equipment and software programs needed to get my business functioning 100% again and for my family's survival.

If you are willing to help, please make a financial contribution in my name to help me rebuild my business, pay legal expenses incurred so far, or in my wife's name for my family's support. You can use Paypal for electronic donations, or send a check to our 107 Cadet Circle, Franklin, TN 37064 payable to either Michael Brown and / or Kathryn Brown. Any check donations received will be deposited at a local Regions Bank into accounts controlled by a local attorney with the distributions to my defense or family on an as-needed basis.

Sincerely,
Michael Brown