Adm. Kimmel

Many of the pardons issues by President Clinton in his last days in office were misguided and wrong. However, in the matter of denying a pardon to the late Adm. Husband E. Kimmel for his role in the Pearl Harbor attack, the president was right on target.

It's no surprise Adm. Kimmel's son is anxious to vindicate his late father's name. The historical records shows that, prior to the attack, Adm. Kimmel was a fine officer and a credit to the United States Navy. However, the fact that Ned Kimmel has resorted to hiring a PR firm to try to sell Congress and the American people on his father's innocence should tell you a great deal about the credibility of his claims.

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