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Dear friends and family,

2022 has been a pretty great year for the Churchill family except for those darn stock markets. But thankfully I've heard about this new-fangled investment called "crypto," and I'm feeling pretty lucky. I have this inside connection, you know, since my law school criminal law professor was Joseph Bankman (I kid you not). And how can you go wrong when Tom Brady and Matt Damon back it? "Fortune Favors the Brave," I hear, and if I can just figure out how this interwebs thing works, I'm going to buy some of that Bitcoin.



Fortunately, our children are doing a lot better than SBF these days. Luke (26, center) is a third year at Stanford Law School, and he's probably worked harder this year than the rest of us combined. After applying to about 100 judges, Luke secured a clerkship next year with a federal district court judge in San Diego, and his girlfriend, Ana, will clerk for a federal appeals court judge in the office building next door. How nice is that?! Luke worked last summer for a D.C. law firm and then traveled with Ana to Spain and Portugal. Based on his latest reports, he appears to have spent most of his fall semester "thinking about the 4th Amendment" for a moot court brief. Beats contemplating the 2nd Amendment, I guess!

Thomas (26, left) is the only one in our family with a Coinbase account. And he did take a suspicious trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands this year. Are those anywhere near the Bahamas? (My knowledge of geography only tops my knowledge of technology.) Thomas and two of his housemates (including his girlfriend, Hannah) managed to score a free trip to the Galapagos Islands as chaperones for a Stanford alumni trip. And it all went swimmingly until Thomas came down with COVID onboard ship and was quarantined on an island hotel. But I can't feel very sorry for him. The kid lives in South Lake Tahoe, CA, and seems to spend a lot more time skiing, hiking, biking, and visiting National Parks than contemplating the 4th Amendment (or really any portion of the Constitution). Thomas continues to work at wikiHow as a project manager focusing both on their international markets and on recruiting experts to assist in "how to" articles such as <https://www.wikihow.com/Buy-Cryptocurrency>.

Zac (21, right) is our world traveler this year. A senior at Tufts University, he spent his spring break in Morocco visiting the family of one of his roommates, touring bazaars, and glamping in the Sahara. After a summer internship with WalkBoston, a nonprofit focused on improving the walkability of Boston, he

headed off to Madrid, Spain, for a study abroad semester. Zac had about the best host family you could hope for. Gustavo, his host dad, is a world class jazz musician (string bass) and composer originally from Argentina, and Marisol, his host mom, is a dancer from Costa Rica who owns a flamenco performance space in the heart of Madrid. But I bet they know nothing about crypto. Plus, Suzanne played trombone in high school, while I played the clarinet and tenor sax, so I'm pretty sure we're almost as musical.

Suzanne finished a sabbatical year in May during which she worked on a digital studies project on Gwendolyn Bennett (a Harlem Renaissance poet) and co-developed a "scrollyteller" app that I have no idea how to describe because, as I may have mentioned before, I am a luddite. But it's cool. She's now back at Davidson teaching English and serving as a mentor for ten students who received leadership scholarships from the Posse Foundation. Suzanne's 5-year, collaborative, digital studies project on Mina Loy (<https://mina-loy.com/>), with professors from Duquesne University and the University of Georgia, just won a Modern Language Association prize for Collaborative, Bibliographical, or Archival Scholarship. So she's rocking it.



I continue to work as a corporate lawyer focusing on a variety of healthcare-related transactions for Robinson Bradshaw, a Charlotte, NC law firm. It may not be glamorous, but I certainly know how to implement those corporate formalities to keep my clients out of trouble. I'm looking at you, SBF!

Our travel highlights this year included a trip to see cousins in Southern Switzerland and Suzanne's sister, Elizabeth, and her son, Noah, in Tuscany, with a side trip to Cinque Terre. In August we enjoyed a multi-family, hiking extravaganza in Mount Rainier, hosted by our good friend Annie Merrill, and in Lake Tahoe, hosted by Thomas. In November, we flew to Madrid for a 4-day, whirlwind tour guided by Zac. We definitely owe some carbon taxes this year, but I'm sure we can pay them off with our future Ethereum profits.

We had some great visits with family and friends from college and D.C. this year, and we hope to see more of you in 2023. If my big bet on Dogecoin comes through, we may even sponsor a big friends and family gathering. Bahamas anyone?

Lots of love,

Matt, Suzanne, Thomas, Luke, and Zac

