



June 2017 case news and updates

The North Carolina Center on Actual Innocence is in the trenches of litigation for two of our clients, Mark Carver and Robert Bragg. We also recently announced we have joined the defense team for Daniel Green.

Robert "Bobby" Bragg

We will be representing Robert "Bobby" Bragg at a full hearing before a three-judge panel in Watauga County the week of July 24th. Bobby has been in prison for 21 years for a murder that occurred in Boone, NC in 1994. He has always maintained his innocence and multiple alibi witnesses placed him in Tennessee at the time of the murder. To stay updated about Bobby's case, make sure you follow us on social media and check out our website for news and updates.

Mark Carver

Mark Carver was convicted in 2011 of the murder of Irina Yarmolenko. He also has always maintained his innocence. On July 3rd the Center will represent Mark on discovery issues before the Honorable David Lee in Gaston. We hope to finalize a date late summer or early fall for a full evidentiary hearing at that time.

[Click here to watch the 20/20 episode on Mark's case.](#)

Daniel Green

Daniel Green was convicted of the 1993 murder of James Jordan, father of Michael Jordan. He has served more than 20 years of his life sentence. In June, an amendment to the original motion was filed with claims of evidence tampering. Center Director Chris Mumma said of the case, "This newly discovered evidence of tampering adds to the growing list of legal concerns and factual evidence which add weight to the conclusion that not only does Daniel Green deserve a new trial but that he is innocent of the murder of James Jordan."

Be sure to connect with us on social media to get the latest news and case updates!



Exoneree update: Joseph Sledge, released January 23, 2015

Joseph spent 37 years behind bars for a double murder he did not commit. After his exoneration, he had a lot to adjust to, including a very changed world, family members he hadn't seen in decades, and simply making decisions such as what to wear and what to eat.

Joseph has moved back to his home state of Georgia and now lives near family in a rural town where he was born. He tried to live near his siblings in Savannah, but was overcome with the activity in a city. He enjoys listening to the wind in the trees, walking in his yard, and playing with his two puppies. Joseph would like to see criminal justice reform result from his incarceration so he can feel his loss resulted in some gain for others.

A Note from the *In Pursuit of Justice* filmmakers

From Gregg Jamback and Jamie Huss:

In Pursuit of Justice is a feature-length documentary about the precedent-setting case of Greg Taylor, the first person freed through the unique North Carolina Innocence Inquiry Commission process.

We first heard about Greg's case in November 2009, when NCCAI Executive Director, Chris Mumma, was awarded the Nancy Susan Reynold's Award for Advocacy. During her acceptance speech Chris told the audience to keep an eye on the news because in the next few months something ground-breaking would be happening to criminal justice in



North Carolina. Two weeks later Chris called us and asked if we'd like to document Greg's case.



Telling a 20-year long story is challenging, especially one with as many twists and turns as Greg's story has. If you've been following the Center's Twitter and Facebook feeds you may know that we have held a number of work-in-progress screenings that have helped us improve how we tell the story. And now, seven and a half years after we started, the

documentary is nearly complete.

Our goal is to complete the film by this October. Once complete, our main goal, and the one that has kept us working on this awesome story for so long, is to have an impact on criminal justice reform across the country. Greg Taylor's story, and the work that Chris Mumma and the Center have done, demonstrates that criminal justice reform is possible and we believe that by showing this film across the country we will help other states take on the important work of reforming the criminal justice system.



Follow our progress at www.inpursuitofjusticefilm.com

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