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## **Message From The Publisher**

After germinating as an idea for several years, this issue includes the initial honorees selected for the Wrongful Conviction Hall of Honor (see p. 20). These eight people are not just deserving of public recognition for their accomplishments, but they provide a context to understand that wrongful convictions are a persistent ongoing problem in countries around the world.

*Justice:Denied* can only cover a fraction of the news stories related to wrongful convictions, so we have started a blog so visitors to *JD*'s website can learn about many of these stories that they would otherwise miss.

In February Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri hosted a conference on Miscarriages of Justice: Current Perspectives. This wasn't a back-slapping gathering, but an academic conference that featured over fifty first-class presentations related to wrongful convictions by experts from the U.S., Europe and even a woman who traveled from Hong Kong. I made a presentation on how non-precedential (and non-published) opinions contribute to miscarriages of justice, and the need to make all opinions precedential. CMSU Criminal Justice Professor Don Wallace did an amazing job of organizing and smoothly running the conference.

*Justice:Denied* published the first of two articles about Philip Workman's case in March 2000. Even though the prosecution's case the jury relied on to convict Workman of shooting a policeman in 1981 has been undermined by new evidence, neither the Tennessee Supreme Court nor the U.S. Supreme Court granted him a new trial. After 25 years on death row, Philip Workman was executed on May 9, 2007.

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