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**Message From The Publisher**

*Justice:Denied* reported in the fall of 1999 on Thomas Arthur’s conviction and death sentence in Alabama for a 1982 murder. Arthur was hours from being executed on September 27, 2007, when Alabama’s governor ordered a 45-day stay. See the article and editorial on page 9.

William Peterson, the District Attorney For Ada, Oklahoma, hid behind prosecutorial immunity to avoid being sued for all manners of defamatory claims and slanderous utterances he made in procuring and justifying the convictions and sentences of Ron Williamson and Dennis Fritz for a 1982 murder they didn’t commit. So it is not just ironic, but cowardly, that Peterson and one of the case’s police investigators are now suing author John Grisham (and several other defendants) for libel and slander for criticizing their handling of the case. See the article on page 13.

Kudos to U.S District Court Judge Nancy Gertner for refusing to cave-in to the federal government’s ceaseless efforts to deny compensation to four men framed for murder by an FBI informant. See the article on page 16.

*The Journal of the Institute of Justice & International Studies* is publishing an article I wrote based on my presentation at the February 2007 Miscarriages of Justice conference at The University of Central Missouri. To my knowledge this is the first article in a peer-reviewed legal journal that presents the argument that every opinion issued by every state and federal appellate court should be published and precedential. I think this is one of the most important issues to the curbing of wrongful convictions at the trial level, and then helping ensure they will be overturned on appeal. See ordering details on page 23.

*The Trials of Darryl Hunt* is now available on DVD. This is a must see that sets the gold standard for wrongful conviction documentaries. It can be ordered from the Videoshop on *JD’s* website.

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