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Nancy Smith and Joseph Allen were convicted in 1994 of charges related to the alleged sexual assault of children in a Head Start program in Lorain, Ohio. Judge James Burge vacated their convictions in February 2009 and they were released on bail. In June 2009 Judge Burge acquitted Smith and Allen. On January 27, 2011 the Ohio Supreme Court vacated their acquittals and ordered reinstatement of their convictions. See pages. 12 and 13.

The majority of exonerated people in the U.S. are not compensated for their years of wrongful imprisonment. The Texas Bar is suing Kevin T. Glasheen for alleged misconduct in representing two exonerated men who retained him to pursue compensation. See p. 10.

It is known from hundreds of actual cases that false confessions occur because of the interrogation techniques used by law enforcement officers throughout the U.S. Richard Lapointe's inaccurate "confession" to his grandmother-in-laws murder in Connecticut that he didn't have enough time to have commit, has the earmarks of being a false confession. See p. 3.

Serious problems in the operation of the DNA unit of North Carolina's State Bureau of Investigation crime lab were exposed in an audit reported in August 2010. Yet it is business as usual in the lab. See p. 15.

Robert Glenn Ford was the lead detective in the Norfolk Four case of four Navy men wrongly convicted of the 1998 rape and murder of an 18-year-old woman in Norfolk, Virginia. Ford was convicted in federal court in October 2010 of extortion and lying to the FBI regarding cases unrelated to the Norfolk Four case. On February 25, 2011 Ford was sentenced to 12-1/2 years in federal prison. See p. 9.

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