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Message From The Publisher

Derek Hamilton was convicted of a 1991 murder committed in New York City when he was 82 miles away in New Haven, Connecticut. His lawyer didn’t subpoena his most important alibi witness — a New Haven police officer who was meeting with him at the time of the murder — and 19 years after his trial he is still trying to get a court to review the police officer’s affidavit that clears him of the crime. See p. 16.

It doesn’t happen often, but after a Massachusetts’ judge found Paul Daley guilty of motor vehicle homicide and negligent driving, the judge reconsidered his decision and granted Daley’s motion for a judgment of acquittal. See p. 10.

Technology is increasingly providing wrongly convicted people with the evidence necessary to prove their innocence. A husband and wife were able to overturn their convictions for being involved in an illegal street protest by providing a surveillance video that they were on a subway at the time of the protest. See p. 12.

Proving a false rape accusation is difficult, and even more so when a judge bars testimony casting doubt on an accuser’s credibility. After Luis Gomez was convicted of rape the appeals court agreed with him that his right to present a defense was violated when the judge refused to allow the testimony of two witnesses who could establish that his accuser had a reason to fabricate her story. See p. 10.

One of the problems faced by a father who has court ordered child support at the time of his wrongful conviction, is that the obligation to make those payments continues after his imprisonment. When Alan Northrop was exonerated after 17 years of imprisonment for rape he was greeted with a \$111,000 back child support bill. See p. 11.

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