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Teacher Lucinda S. Hites-Clabaugh's conviction of non-existent sexual abuse of a third-grade student in Woodburn, Oregon school is an example of how an innocent person can be victimized by an inadequate police investigation. See p. 8.

That prosecutors can be emboldened to engage in unethical behavior by their lack of accountability is highlighted by Tamara McAnally's case. After her fraud conviction in San Diego was overturned, she filed a lawsuit alleging that her prosecutor pursued romantic relationships with at least half-a-dozen women he prosecuted, promising that in exchange for sex he would reduce or modify their sentences. See p. 15.

Juan Rivera was kept in prison by his prosecutor's blindness to the evidence of his innocence until the Illinois Court of Appeals issued a ruling overturning his conviction in which it stated: "Mr. Rivera, too, has suffered the nightmare of wrongful incarceration." See p. 5.

The difficulty an exonerated person has to to obtain compensation for their ordeal is underscored by the five years from the time Robert Wilson filed his federal civil rights lawsuit against the City of Chicago for his almost 10 years of wrongful imprisonment for assault, to settlement of his suit for \$3.6 million. See p. 10.

Thomas Edward Kennedy's exoneration of sexually assaulting his 11-year-old daughter exposes the danger of basing a prosecution solely on the testimony of the alleged victim with no corroborating evidence a crime occurred. See p. 9.

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