

THE INJUSTICE SYSTEM

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San Quentin is not a good place to live

In Memory of those innocent men and women who have been executed or died in prison due to neglect, abuse or murder...

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Forward

I decided to write this book to tell those who are thinking about a life of crime what they are in for. The information in this book is based on interviews and research on the World Wide Web. It is based on what convicts and guards say. It is based on court cases and events as recorded by the authorities and media.

I am not going to preach to the reader and I am not going to tell the reader what is good or what is bad. I am going to present the information to the reader so that the reader could decide for themselves. Then as I got into the research and I started to form opinions that I could not keep to myself. Suddenly I became a prison activist.

I am going to talk about the death penalty and life on death row. I am going to give you information about some on death row who just may be innocent. If you go to my web site (theinjusticesystem.org) you will see many inmate sites there will also be a list at the end of the book. If you believe them you may want to help.

I spent a week and a half in jail. I was looking at the possibility of two to four years in prison. I was close to fifty at the time and I used my time in jail to get to know those in my cell. It was an experience that I will never forget. I made the best of it and because of my age it was easier on me than it would be for a younger person. Prison is not a place I want to live.

I was lucky, you may not be so lucky.

If you are looking at a life of crime for a career, read this book and the web site first. I hope it will change your mind. If it doesn't change your mind you will find that even if crime pays it is not worth it.

When you get out of prison (if you get out alive.) life will not be easy. It will be hard to find a job because of your record. If you're lucky you may find a support group or church that will help you. If you just got out the web site has links to places for to places help. There will also be a list at the end of the book.

If you are an ex con or will soon get out of prison there is help for you. If you have a drug or alcohol problem there are places to go. We have the links on the net and there will be a list at the end of the book.

It is my goal not only to help people decide not to commit the crime but also to help those who did commit the crimes find a life that will help keep them from going back to the criminal life. It is also to help those who are in prison for crimes they did not commit.

Some people say that I am biting off more than I can chew. Some laugh when I talk about the Castle of Hope for Lost Souls and The Injustice System. I will succeed and you will succeed in going straight too.

If you go to leegaylord.com you will find links to my web sites.

The Beginning

I started researching this book on 6/2/02 and my eyes have been opening wider almost every day.

When I started I was for capital punishment but I also felt that more should be done to protect the innocent. Now I am against capital punishment because the innocent can not be protected from the crooked people in the system. Our system is one where money talks and protects the guilty.

The death of one innocent person makes capital punishment wrong. The system does not allow many innocent men and women the chance to prove their innocence. Most are poor and have no money for their defense and the court appointed lawyers in many cases work against them.

The death penalty may not in itself cruel and inhuman punishment. The system is cruel and inhuman punishment. It is knowing that you are innocent and the odds are that you are going to die but you do not know when. It is getting your hopes up that the appeal will succeed and because of the corruption it does not help.

Even for the guilty the wait for the appeals and clemency is cruel and inhuman punishment. At least with life without the possibility of parole there is the knowledge that when you die you will either be murdered and possibly not see it coming or die of old age.

There are many levels of prison. There are levels based on security and the danger you are to others. Life can be a total hell or not so bad if it were not for the fact that you can not go away when you want to. In many cases the levels of security are based on how much the guards like you. If you piss off the guards you may go to a higher security level. You may also get beaten or killed depending on how much you piss them off. If you are mentally ill you may go to maximum or super maximum security. It is easier to segregate you than to give you your meds.

If you are a handsome young man you may end up being someone's bitch. You may end up giving sex for protection. If not you may end up getting

raped. You may have a cell mate that likes your body and rapes you until you give in to his cravings.

You may piss someone off and get the shit beat out of you. That someone may be another prisoner or even a guard.

You may spend 23 hours a day in your cell alone. Meals may be brought to your cell. Your other hour may be spent in a small yard with high walls where you do not see the Sun but only a small part of the sky. For some that one hour only comes three days a week.

You may have years without human contact. You will be your best friend, your only friend and sometimes your worst enemy.

Are these things the worse that can happen to you? It depends on what to you is the worse that can happen. You thought life was a bitch before you got to prison. Now what do you think.

Most prisoners say that they are innocent victims. They did no wrong. The sad thing is that some of them are innocent of the crime but guilty of being poor. Without money your chances are slim of an acquittal when wrongfully accused. Many of the innocent plead guilty because they realize that they will get a worse sentence if they go to trial. They can not afford an appeal.

Instead of the public defender who may not know his ass from a hole in the ground we need good attorneys who are qualified to be appointed to these cases. They must do the best they can do and if not and incompetence can be proven they not only lose the right to practice law but they also have to pay for another attorney chosen by the defendant.

This book is going to tell you more about the innocent, prison life and life outside after you served your time. I hope that this book will keep some people from getting into the position that will land them in prison. I hope that they stay away from those who are on their way to prison. Many of the innocent were in the wrong place at the wrong time. Some were convicted by the real killer's testimony. Some got a ride from the killer and the killing was while they were with the killer. This can work with any crime.

The guy that gives you a ride could stop at a party store. Have you wait in the running car while he robs the store. He gets caught and you are still in the car. According to witnesses you were the look out and if you drove you

were the get away driver. There are people in prison who took a friend somewhere and drove them somewhere when they came out. When the cops come they find out that they were the get away driver for a crime they did not know about. Next thing they know they are in prison.

For those on death row they are all there because they are poor. The wealthy do not get the death penalty. They may not even get life.

If a black kills a white in a death penalty state they will most likely get death. The other way around the killer will get life or less. Bigotry is alive and well in the death penalty states. If you are a poor white you too may get the death penalty.

What can we do to right this wrong? The links section of the web site for my book is and use the web rings. There are many who need your help.

What is the Injustice System?

When I got involved in The Injustice System I did not realize the extent of the horrors in the system. The more I looked into it the more I was shocked and appalled at or system of “Justice.”

What is Justice? Does it exist? Is it something for most of us but not for many of us? If you are poor what are the odds that you will receive justice? I hope that this book will answer these questions. I hope that this book will make you and others think about the problems in the system and help change the system.

Some things you need to know.

The system is not for the poor. If you are poor and you are accused of a crime you did not commit the odds are against you. If you are Black, Arabic or Hispanic the odds get worse.

You are supplied with an attorney who in many cases is not only incompetent but works with the prosecution against the you. He does not cross examine witnesses, use the discovery procedures, or call witnesses for the defense.

The prosecution in many cases will not call witnesses because they said someone else did it. They hide this fact from the defense or the defense does not act on this. DNA evidence has been left out of the trial that would clear the defendant.

Jail house snitches: If you are on a jury and the prosecution calls a jail house snitch the odds are that he is lying to get a light sentence or freedom. There are those who commit crimes and become jail house snitches in order to get back on the streets to continue their chosen professions. In most cases they are told what the prosecutor wants them to say and they say it no matter what the truth is. Everyone knows they are lying except for the jury. If you are on the jury and they use a snitch **do not vote for a guilty verdict** because the odds are that the accused is innocent at least there is a big chance that he is being railroaded by the prosecution.

In many cases the person who committed the crime is the prosecutor's main witness against the accused. The sad thing is that the prosecution knows this. They give the guilty person immunity to testify against the innocent person.

It is easier to convict an innocent person in many cases than to convict a guilty person. It can be difficult to get the evidence together to prove the case so evidence is fabricated or in the case of evidence that points to the innocence of the person is left out of the trial.

I will be giving you case summaries that will make your skin crawl. More about these cases are on the web site for The Injustice System. Please look at the site as you read the book. Together they will show you that our system is not only flawed but it is full of corruption. You will see that parts of our country are not free but run by despots who are not any better than Adolph Hitler and other dictators from the past. There are people in our country that live in police states who are in constant fear to say anything.

What can you do about this? Write your Congressperson and tell them you want action. You can quote this book or web pages from the web site. Take the time to investigate those who are running for office. If there is a hint of corruption do not vote for them. It is better to be safe than sorry.

If you know of other cases of abuse of the system, contact me and I will add it to the web site. Feel free to name names but remember those who are corrupt have been known to fight back and they do not hesitate to abuse the law to get back at those who oppose them. You can remain anonymous but I do want to have access to evidence.

I have been accused of playing the race card in some of my writings. I have been told that most of the innocent and most of those on death row are white. If you look at percentages you will find that the percentage of blacks and Hispanics on death row is much higher than whites. In many of the innocence and death row cases they would not be there if they were not minorities. They were framed because of the color of their skin.

The attitudes of many in small towns throughout the country have not changed in over 100 years. There are many small towns that are still run by the sheriff and the good old boys. Anyone black or white who pisses them off has a chance of ending up in prison or killed.

Angola, Louisiana has a prison that is on an old plantation. The family that owned the plantation still lives there and is employed by the prison. The prison is run like a plantation with the prisoners as slaves. Slavery is legal in the case of prisoners.

Prisoners are beaten and forced to work when they are physically unfit for work. A man was sent to work in the fields soon after surgery for a hernia. The stitches came loose and it took them a month to get him back to the hospital.

They still use a horse drawn hearse for the convicts who die in Angola, LA.

After reading this book and looking at the web site I think you will realize that our country is one of the worst when it comes to human rights and the treatment of prisoners.

What is The Injustice System? It is a web site, a book, a dream and a hope. It is my hope that because of it the system will become a justice system. No matter who or what you are you will get justice.

What we Want to Accomplish

We want to help those prisoners who are innocent:

1. Help get out their story by giving them web pages or if they have their own sites linking to them.
2. Helping them with their legal fees by letting people know where they can send money to help.
3. Trying to convince people in television to have a show about the innocent people in prison. Hopefully the proceeds from the show will go to the prisoners' defense fund.
4. Exposing the corrupt practices and shoddy legal work that put them in prison.
5. Suggesting new laws that will help eliminate the problem.

We want to help Prisoners who are abused and unfairly treated by the system:

1. Many prisoners are abused for just doing the right thing.
2. If a guard does not like a prisoner he can make life hell for prisoner or even have prisoner killed.
3. In many cases the prisoners who earn parole do not get it but those who are a danger to society are given it.
4. Prison guards and officials make money off of bodies in prison. Therefore they do what they can to keep prisoners in prison. False charges of violations are common.
5. Drugs are easier to get in prison. This would not be if the guards were not involved.
6. Innocent prisoners are hassled and their legal papers destroyed by guards and officials.
7. Medical care is poor and that may be a compliment to the system. Medical personnel are unqualified and do not care.

We want to help those who are harassed and put in fear by corrupt police, prosecutors and Judges:

1. We will report the stories of corruption on all levels of government.

2. We will tell the stories of those who are harassed. If they are in fear of retaliation we they can be anonymous.
3. We will report the corruption to those that can help stop it including the news media representatives that can be trusted.

We will help those who are being discriminated against by the system.

We will do everything in our power to improve the system.

Can it be done?

I don't know. It hasn't been done yet. That does not mean that it can't be done. If we can get enough people together and if we can get people to write the powers that be we may succeed. If we can I have hope and if you have hope together we may make a difference.

The Death Penalty

Are you willing to die for something you did not do?

Would you like a prison cell to be where you spend your last night on earth?

Would you like the path to the death chamber to be the path taken on your last walk?

Would you like to go to sleep tied down to a gurney and never wake up?

Would you like to be buried overlooking the prison where you were executed? (Even while dead you are in prison.)

I am willing to bet that more than 400 inmates on death row in the United States are innocent. That is only a hair over 10%.

It could be a much higher number. That means that there are probably more than 400 murderers out there. That is one reason why states with the death penalty have a much higher murder rate than states without the death penalty. They let the guilty go free while the innocent are executed.

DNA testing has freed at least 110 death row inmates. There are many who have tried to have the testing but the evidence has been "lost" or they are not being given the tests. What about those where DNA does not apply?

The death penalty is more expensive than life in prison. The death penalty does not work. When someone kills they do not think about the death penalty. When they are facing the death penalty they will not hesitate to kill to keep from being captured. That means that the death penalty not only kills the inmate but it is responsible for the death of innocent people. There are

more victims because of the death penalty. To many serial killers the death penalty is the ultimate high. That is what tells them they were successful in their chosen career.

The families of most victims are probably for the death penalty. Many of them are against the death penalty. How will they feel when the wrong person is executed and the real killer is still out there? Is the person executed the same person that killed their loved one? People change, even bad people. I see it all of the time.

If a man kills someone at 18, ten years later he may be a different person. He may be truly sorry for what he did. A different person is being executed than the one who committed the crime. It may be the same body but a different mind. We are not our body but we are our mind or soul. An execution executes the body not the soul (mind).

How many rich people are on death row? If you find one please let me know. The death sentence is the poor man's sentence. It is also a black man's sentence. In many cases it is an innocent man's sentence. The state appointed lawyers in many cases are incompetent, drunk or work for the prosecution.

I can see how a victim's family and loved ones would want the murderer to get the death penalty. The length of time that it takes from the assessment of the death penalty until the time it is carried out, I feel, they are going through hell. When the murderer is finally executed they probably feel better. If the murderer would have gotten life would they have been spared years of hell waiting for the death of the killer..

Two wrongs do not make a right. Murder is wrong when the individual commits it and when the state commits it. If the victim's family wants the killer to go to Hell then life in prison is hell on earth. Now some think it is worse than Hell.

There are two reasons for the death penalty. One is revenge and the other is to protect society. Life in prison does the same thing. We think that cutting off the thief's hand is barbaric and yet they are for the death penalty. To me it does not make sense. Many preachers say God says that it is OK. I thought he said later that though shall not kill.

Death Penalty Cases

If you go through the web site you will find cases like the following:

A black man convicted of three murders that were committed by a white man. A composite of the real killer is on his web page. He was acquitted of four of seven murders by the man in the composite. In order to convict him they had no witnesses because they all said he did not do it.

A black man who dated a white woman was framed by her brother for murders committed by her brother. She testified against her "boy friend." He holds no grudges against her. She had no choice but to lie against him. I am sure her brother would have killed her too if she did not testify against him.

A white man is on the Federal death row because a federal prosecutor had ambition and used his case to make a name for himself. The body was found on Federal land and the state said there was no evidence that he did it so they would not prosecute. The prosecutor fed information to the papers and he was found guilty by the media. In this case as many others he was convicted by the false testimony of the person who probably did it.

It should be noted that President Bush and his Attorney General are strong death penalty proponents and in state that have no death penalty the Attorney General tries to find a reason to turn it into a federal case so he can use the death penalty. Many drug related murders can be made into federal cases. In the above case they are saying since it was on Federal Land it is a Federal Case. In this case they are wrong. Legally in this case the Federal Government did not have jurisdiction because they never told the state that they were going to take jurisdiction in the Federal Park.

There is another man on death row who was convicted of three murders. His public defender slept through the trial. (He was drunk.) One murder he admits that he killed the person in self defense. This was never brought out in the trial. The other two murders he was at work and had witnesses placing him at work and the time cards showed he was at work.

In order to insure the death penalty the prosecutor had a witness who said she witnesses another murder by him. The police report showed that when

asked where she was when she saw it she stated that she was in his head and saw it through his eyes. Of course the prosecutor did not ask her where she was while the public defender snored away.

There are many cases of innocent people on Death row. Many innocent people have been executed. Many people have blinders on when they say it does not happen.

One hundred ten men were released from death row because of DNA testing. Others were executed even though the DNA evidence was inconclusive. In many cases there is no DNA evidence or it has been "lost."

Many states are refused free testing because their conviction was not based on DNA. Most can not afford DNA testing. Remember they were poor when they got to prison and many have lost the support of their families.

Most prisoners say that they are innocent. The problem is that some are. The web site for the book has links to sites for inmates. Some are asking for clemency and some for new trials to prove the innocence of the inmates. I have looked at many sites and some I will mention. If I feel that they are innocent I will say a little about their case and you can go to my site and the link to their site to find out more.

The more I look into these cases the more I feel that we should get rid of the death penalty. In some cases it seems like the cops and /or politicians are framing people for capital crimes in order to get rid of them. They are forcing witnesses to lie by threatening them.

One case I have looked at the cops have charged this man with child molestation and he was innocent. They still believed he was guilty so they framed him for the murder of a family. He is on death row in Virginia.

There is another man in Wisconsin was sentenced to life for murdering his wife. She committed suicide. All of the evidence points to suicide but the evidence pointing to suicide was not brought up in the trial.

All of these men had public defenders or court appointed attorneys. All were poor.

In a county in Texas, all but two of the capital murder cases ended up with the death penalty. Those two were millionaires.

If you are poor, in the wrong place at the wrong time, in a capital punishment state and pissed off the cops you may end up on death row.

Your public defender may be working with the prosecution. They may know that a witness is lying and not even try to get the truth. They may know about evidence being withheld or even fabricated and not say anything. They may have evidence that can prove your innocence and withhold it from the court.

New evidence may never get heard in an appeal. Innocence does not matter in some appeals unless you can convince the appeals court that your attorney was ignorant and you lost because of his stupidity.

If you are poor do not live in a capital punishment state and don't even drive through it.

A memorial to all innocent men and women who were executed

When an innocent person is executed only their body dies. They are their soul and the soul lives on. If your loved one has been murdered by the state and if they were innocent they will be in your heart and when you are down look into your heart and they will be there for you.

When you are unsure about life and suddenly there is an answer it is probably from them. Love conquers all even death. I hope and pray that the innocence of those who are killed is proven so that the people with any heart at all will help in the fight to abolish the death penalty.

Those who did the crime and have realized the wrong they have done and have thrown out the evil within them along those who did the kill another and had good reason for doing it (Self defense and protecting their family for example) will also live on.

They all will be missed by their loved ones but they will be with their loved ones who open their hearts to them.

Death is not final. Those who are evil will have an everlasting live of hell and those who are good will have an everlasting life of joy.

The fact remains that someone's life was taken without good reason. If the person is in prison for life they are no longer a threat to society. Proof of innocence does not do a dead man any good but it may save another man's life.

Hopefully our legal system will learn from its mistakes.

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Children in Prison

A Latino child imprisoned since he was thirteen years old. (He is now twenty three.) He got twenty years for robbery (eight dollars) and nine years for rape. The DNA evidence from the rape showed he did not do it. The victim said he did not do it. She was mentally challenged and on the stand the prosecutor got her to change her story. The prime witness was the person who committed the crime and who was white.

One young man has been in jail since he was 13. As of the time I wrote this he is awaiting trial for murder in an adult jail. His Uncle was high on drugs and was trying to kill him. After the uncle picked up the TV and threw it at the child, he grabbed a knife and stabbed his uncle.

I guess in Florida a child does not have the right to defend themselves against an adult. They are supposed to take their punishment even if they did not do anything wrong and even if the punishment is death.

There is a young man on death row that was seventeen years old when he was arrested for a murder he did not commit. He has given up on proving his innocence and is fighting the death penalty for those under eighteen. There are not enough countries that kill those who were under eighteen at the time of the crime to count on one hand.

Children are not adults. Their minds are not as developed as the adult mind. True the system may be too easy on juvenile offenders. No child should be sentenced to death or life in prison without parole. No child should be put in an adult prison in isolation or in the general population.

If tried as an adult the child should be sent to a youth facility until they are twenty one and at twenty one there should be a parole hearing. The parole board should be staffed with psychologists and experts in the field of child development. If parole is denied they could then be sent to an adult facility and have periodic parole hearings.

Our system has gone overboard with the use of adult laws on children. Even in cases of murder. Instead of using adult laws we need to strengthen juvenile laws.

I feel that a person is not an adult until the age of twenty five. I feel that the lowering of the age of majority to eighteen was a mistake. When most states increased the drinking age back to twenty one they realized that it was a mistake.

This section is for the parents of this country and their children. Juvenile offenders come from all income levels. In the higher income levels you did not hear about the problems because the parents swept the problems under the rug. Now the problem has grown to the point where it could no longer be swept under the rug. People started tripping over the lump.

It was thought by many that the problem was primarily with the inner city and mostly black kids. Now it is coming out that the problem is as bad if not worse in the suburbs as it is in the city. I live in the city and I have been around the areas where the drugs are sold and the prostitutes sell their wares. I see a lot of white people from the suburbs buying drugs and sex. I have heard that more drugs sold in the city go to the suburbs than are used in the city.

Drugs are sent from Detroit to a small town half way between to pretty large cities. They are split in half and sent to the larger cities. Some stay in the small town and other small towns in the area. Many of these drugs are going to our young people. The gang problems are also going with the drugs.

Small towns now have a gang problem. The suburbs now have a gang problem.

The following are for the parents and their young.

Willie D Scales is an inmate in Illinois. He is an ex- street hustler, ex-dope dealer and an ex-gang leader from Chicago. He now has an income of \$10.00 a month plus room and board. He was born on July 13, 1949. He has been in prison for 20 years on a natural life sentence for murder. His appeal is before the U.S. Supreme court and he does all of his legal work.

Willie has written "Save our Children" which is on The Injustice System web site.

First of all I want you to know that I am not a professional in the fields of psychology or criminology. My education is from 40 years of studying people and being in the streets. I have no formal training or lab experience but only the experience of the streets.

I am trusted by these people because I treat them as equals not as specimens. I also care. Also I am not easily conned. In my day I did some conning and you can not con a con. I deal with addicts and those who are down and out. I deal with street people.

I am now getting involved with convicts who are guilty and those who are innocent of the crimes they are serving time for. I have learned a lot about life and about people who are in prison. I have learned a lot about the system and it's down side which in most cases is its only side.

Putting kids in an adult prison is child abuse. There is no excuse for it. No one under the age of 21 should be in an adult prison. The youth prisoners should be segregated base on their violent tendencies. Not the violence of the crime committed.

A child who murdered their abuser may not be a violent child. If a child or a spouse is abused physically they may not be able to defend themselves while being abused. They are always in danger of losing their lives while the abuser is awake. The only time they can act is when the abuser is asleep. It is still self defense.

If the mother is being attacked by the abusing parent and the child gets a gun and kills them it is not only defending the mother but also themselves because the odds are that they will be next. The same goes of the mother and with siblings.

Protecting the lives of yourself and family members is not a crime.

We are born with a good side and a bad side. Like in the cartoons with a devil and an angel looking like the character we many times have internal strife. With some of us good wins most of the time and to others bad wins most of the time. With others it may be 50/50.

What happens to us in life can help either side prevail. It depends on what happens and how strong one side is.

We are in a constant state of change. The change may be good or bad depending on what is happening to us. In most cases a person who is a criminal may be rehabilitated no mater how old and how bad. The problem

in prison is that the powers that be do not want the prisoners rehabilitated. They want to keep the revolving door working and the prisoners coming back. They make money off the prisoners. In many cases they are just mean people who are worse than those they are guarding.

To charge children as adults is wrong however the juvenile courts are also failing to do the job of rehabilitating. If a 16 year old goes to a youth facility they will be out when they are 18. They may not be ready.

In the case violent crimes there should be a minimum and maximum as there is with the adult system no matter what the age. The youth facility must work with the prisoner's mental health and with rehabilitation. The prisoners must be trained for the world they will be put into and they should go to halfway houses to prepare for their entry into society.

Every year the prisoner should be evaluated by people who know what they are doing and care about what they are doing. If it is decided give the prisoner parole that they should go into a release program that makes sure that they can make it. They will go on work release, (possibly a jail or halfway house or a jail then a halfway house.) Next they should be given a support group and a parole officer who cares.

The youth facilities should be close to the adult prisons and the youthful offenders should be given mentors from the adult prison. These would be adult prisoners who want to help youthful offenders go straight. They could write to each other and they could meet in support groups at the adult prison.

Children sell drugs and commit crimes because they know that they will not spend time in prison. They know that they may spend a short time in a youth facility but to them it is worth it and it improves their rep in the streets. In some cases boot camps work but in some cases they do more harm than good.

We need other options but trying them as adults is not one of them.

If you have a child who has been tried as an adult and you want their story told write it down and send it to me along with a picture of the child. I will give you the credit for the story and show it as copyrighted by you. If you have a friend who has a child in that situation please contact the parents and

either you or them send the story and picture to me. If there is a legal defense fund make sure you give me the contact information.

Child Abuse - Who is the abuser?

There are many cases where the parents, relatives and child care workers are accused of abusing children. Many are legitimate cases but too many are because of false accusations. If his accusation is false many Child Protective Services agents will help fabricate cases against the accused.

There are also many cases where parents are wrongfully accused in the death of a baby. Many of these parents are in prison. There are cases where doctors cover their malpractice by accusing the parent of shaken baby syndrome. There are many cases where other diseases are overlooked and shaken baby syndrome is used to convict a parent of a crime that never existed. There are also cases where parents are sent to prison for not saving a child's life or contributing to a child's death through negligence when the real culprit is the negligence of EMS or others.

There are also cases where the states abuse children. These are cases where children are sent to adult prisons for adult crimes. There are also cases where children are sentenced to death. (17 year olds are children and as far as I am concerned those under 21 are children.)

It seems to me that many children are left with families that should not have them and that many children are taken away from families that they should be with. Part of it is money. Someone with money can fight the system where a person without money can not fight the system. The free legal help does not do the job. The sad fact is that you get what you pay for. If you pay nothing the odds are that you will get nothing.

Child Abuse Cases

There are many in prison for child abuse and killing their children. Many cases of shaken baby syndrome are not shaken baby syndrome but due to illnesses or medical malpractice.

A father was convicted of killing his child. The baby's doctor over prescribed medication and the baby died because of the overdose. The doctor conspired with the coroner to have the death shown as shaken baby syndrome.

A father is in prison for causing his baby's death when the cause of death was actually black mold.

A father is in prison for causing the babies death based on the mother's testimony. The mother is mentally unstable and was given immunity to testify against him. In this case the cause of death was brittle bone disease.

There is a case of a step mother who asked for an autopsy because EMS took forty five minutes to transport her to the hospital. The powers that be were upset that she questioned the ability of EMS and the coroner fabricated a report pointing to her.

Her husband and the father of the child spent nine months in jail. She was sentenced to fifty years in prison.

A man was convicted of child abuse. The tapes show that the child was coached and words were put in her mouth by the social worker. In previous split ups she framed the ex for abusing the child.

In many cases of child abuse the child recants their testimony years latter saying that they were coached by the other parent and child protective agency agents.

I do feel that there should be stiff penalties in child abuse cases but there should be more investigation done and the sessions should be taped and the tapes should be available to the defense. I have seen estimates that 25 percent of the child abuse convictions are based on false charges.

Children's testimony can be molded by a parent or child protective service workers. The sad thing is that many guilty people are not charged even after the child's death. Children are taken away from good parents because of false charges and given back to bad parents because of faulty investigations.

Granted many workers are given workloads that are excessive and do not have the time to investigate cases thoroughly but whose fault is that. I feel that it is a combination of the state and the workers or their unions.

Our children are this country's greatest assets. We need to protect them from abuse by their parents and others and we also need to protect good parents from abuse by the system and others.

Some Other Cases

An eighteen year old in St. Louis, Missouri was convicted of murder and sentenced to life in prison. He is in a maximum security prison in Jefferson City, Missouri. If you look at the witness's testimony and the coroners report you will find that he could not have committed the crime. The bullets were not fired from where the witness said he was. Beside that at the time of the crime he was not anywhere near the scene of the crime. He is now thirty one and still in prison.

A citizen of Holland is in a Michigan prison for a murder he did not commit. He has contacted his homeland and they are ignoring his case. The more he contacted the embassy the more distant they became. They either do not care about their own citizen or they are afraid of the US.

I have seen many estimates on the number of innocent men and women in prison. I feel that the figure is between twenty and thirty thousand. Probably the largest percentage of these cases is child abuse and rape cases. These are the worst crimes but because of the system they are the easiest to falsely convict.

I talked about the child abuse cases earlier.

I feel that sexual predators should spend a lot of time in prison. I also feel that they should be closely watched when they get out of prison. Many are not rehabilitated in prison but the prisons have mostly failed when it comes to rehabilitation.

We have a Catch 22 when it comes to the rape laws. That is the Rape Shield law.

The victim is protected from having embarrassing questions about her past. This is because the victim is not only victimized by the rapist but also the lawyer.

The problem is that while protecting the victim these laws make it easier to convict an innocent man. Is it worth letting innocent men go to prison for rape and having to put up with the treatment that many get from the other

prisoners and guards? I am innocent is not a way out of the treatment because almost everyone says they are innocent

There are many cases where a woman will accuse a man because he will not do what she wants. Many have done it in the past but because of the rape shield law this can not be used in court. This is a case where the kid who cried wolf keeps getting away with it because no one can know that he is always crying wolf.

What can be done? How about having this testimony in the judge's chambers without the jury and the people watching in the courtroom? Let the judge question her about the information that is subject to the rape shield law and make a decision as to the validity of the evidence. If the judge feels that the jury should hear it then the testimony will be given to the jury without reporters or other onlookers.

In many cases the accuser recants her testimony later but then it is when she feels guilty about sending an innocent person to prison. Then it may be too late. In some cases the judge and prosecutor dismiss her claims and will not give the innocent man a new trial or drop the charges. In many cases they may be let out but not cleared in court. There will be many who will still think of them as a rapist.

People have a bad habit of seeing the conviction and not the proof of innocence. The news media who said they were guilty has a habit of not admitting their mistakes unless it is in a place no one will see. The prosecutors and judges do not want to admit that they made a mistake or in many cases that they railroaded the person planted erroneous evidence or hid evidence that the person was innocent. In other cases they do not want to make the police look bad.

The Victims and Their Families

I do not want anyone to think that I am forgetting the victims and their families. It must be remembered that most prisoners will be released eventually. We do not want them coming out worse than they were when they went in. In order to eliminate future victimization of society by these people we have to rehabilitate the prisoners. We must separate the hard core, dangerous predators from those who can be rehabilitated.

At the present time many prisoners who are no threat to others are put in with those who are predators for minor and in some cases fabricated infractions of the rules. Many prisoners are in maximum security that should not be there. The criminals become victims of the injustice system.

We also have many people in prison who are innocent. This means that the real perpetrator is still out there and probably still committing crimes.

When I complain about the way prisoners are treated I am not minimizing the pain that the victims and their families feel. I have been robbed twice. Another time a guy tried to rob me and I gave him a hard luck story and he gave me \$5.00. The first time and the attempted robbery were at gunpoint and the other time was by 2 guys that were much bigger than I was. I was also shot at in a drive by shooting. I really do not have any ill feelings about them. In the cases where the robbers got my money they were junkies. I have no idea about the shooter. Yes, they did deserve to be caught and sent to prison but they also needed treatment and to be taught a skill so that when they come out of prison they may become productive members of society.

When it comes to murder, killing the killer will not bring the victim back. In the case of a serial killer their execution is what they want. It is the final publicity and it says that they were a success at what they did. They will always be remembered but if they get life in prison the public will soon forget.

There are also a lot of innocent people on death row. Do you want an innocent man to die for the murder of your loved one? I know I would not want to see a person die and find out afterwards that the real killer was caught and confessed for the murder. Now you have to go through the trial again. Chances are slim that anything will be said about the real killer

being caught. If they have him on another murder they will not want to muddy the waters and be open to lawsuits and criminal prosecution for railroading the person killed by the state for a crime he did not commit. If the person who confesses is not being charged with another crime then he will probably be told to go home and shut up.

I realize that is impossible in many cases to forgive and forget. I am not asking that. I am just saying that the punishment should fit the crime. In many capital punishment cases the person who committed the crime was young and stupid. They have 10 to 25 years to think about what they did. By the time that they are executed they may be totally different than they were when they committed the crime. They may be remorseful for the crime they had committed and they may no longer be evil. There are also cases where they were driven to do what they did for fear of their own safety.

Yes many never feel remorse and will always be evil. These men deserve to be put away and never released. These men will always be a menace to society. (When I say men I do not mean to say that some women do to fit in the same category but there are few.)

The loss of freedom is in most cases punishment enough. The worse the crime the longer the criminal loses his freedom. Again we have to prepare the prisoner for life outside the walls, not only for their benefit but also for our benefit. Wouldn't it be better to pay to rehabilitate than to not only have to pay for a return visit and for new the victims losses.

If you were a victim or a family member of a victim and want to be heard, e-mail me.

The Good Old Boy Network

I hope a lot of people read this and get mad enough to react and do something about it. There is a danger to me because there are people in jail for pissing off the good old boys.

On television you see the good old boys in shows like "In the Heat of the Night," "The Dukes of Hazard" and other shows that take place in the small towns of the south. It is not only there but it is all over the country and no doubt all over the world.

You have heard of dream weavers. The good old boys weave nightmares. There are many people in prison, many of them on death row. There are also innocent people who have been executed because of the good old boy network.

The death penalty is big business and prisons are big business. The call of the good old boys is, "Get that SOB even if he is innocent." Instead of solving the crime they dispose of it by convicting a person whether they did it or not.

There is a murder case that the prosecutors want out of the way. If it is high profile it is a stepping stone to bigger and better things for everyone involved. The cops will frame a person because they feel that the case will help them go up in the department, for money, just to get the crime into the solved file or because they do not like the guy. The prosecutors will work with the cops and the coroners may also be in on it. They may use evidence that has been planted, rigged or non-existent. They will use only parts of a coroner's report that will help convict and ignore the evidence that shows the person is innocent. They will use witnesses who are known liars. They will even use the guilty person's testimony to convict the innocent person.

Why won't the judge do something about it? Three reasons, because they are incompetent, because they were financially rewarded or because they are one of the good old boys.

Why don't the defense lawyers do something, because of the above reasons, because they are drunk or because they are asleep?

Many innocent people will plead confess and plead guilty because they feel that if they do not they will get more time in prison. Being innocent is not a reason to fight a losing battle.

The defendants in these cases are poor and can not afford a lawyer so they have to use the public defender who works, in most cases, indirectly for the prosecutor not the defendant. If they are really bad at what they do they rewarded with more cases and since they are not good enough to get paying clients they depend on the prosecutors and/or the judges for their income.

If you are rich or middle income you probably do not know or care about the good old boy network. It does not effect you until someone in your family is killed because the wrong man went to prison for a murder committed by your family members killer. Even then you may never know.

If you are poor you may know about it. If you are not white you may know about it. If you are black and poor the odds are that you not only know about it but you know someone who has been railroaded or you may have been railroaded by the good old boys.

I am willing to bet that at least 10% of the people in prison and on death row are innocent victims of the good old boys. Using that I would also bet that over 10% of those executed were probably innocent.

But then you say, "If there is evidence that there was a miscarriage of justice in a case can't it be corrected." The answer is not very often.

Virginia for example has a law that if you do not appeal a case within 21 days of sentencing with evidence known at that time you are out of luck.

The system makes it very difficult if you are wrongfully convicted to get a chance to prove your innocence. Even if they witnesses admit that they lied, the victim admits that they were wrong or another person confesses and the evidence backs up the confession the odds are against the case being overturned. Why? The good old boys network protects their own.

Those of you who do not believe me go to the internet search engine and look up innocent prisoners and you will find that there are many more than you imagine.

One is too many.

All I ask is that innocent people are not railroaded and those that do serve at least the time they served and if the innocent person was executed they serve life without parole because my friends they murdered that person who was wrongfully executed.

It should also be noted that there are some who may be guilty of the crime but they may be given too much time. If you look at penalties for crimes where the crime is the same and the circumstances are similar you will see that the poor, blacks and people who piss off the good old boys will have harsher sentences. If you have a loved one who is a victim of the good old boys, please contact me and I will be happy to add a page for them to The Injustice System website

As the great grandson of the most well known Chief Justice of India (which is the highest legal position a judge can obtain in India), I would like to provide you with a quote from my great grandfather T.L.Venkatraman Iyer.. "A hundred criminals may be set free, but one innocent man should not go to prison... for that will make the entire legal system criminal"

Corruption in the Justice System

First of all I want it understood that a large majority of police officers are good cops. The bad cops make it bad for the good cops. When the public see the bad cops get away with their crimes against the public it reflects on all cops. Everything we see in this regard is that to cops stick together, good and bad. Many good cops will protect the bad cops. The same thing goes for lawyers, prosecutors and judges.

It seems to me that if you want to be proud of your profession you will do what you can to keep it clean. Instead of hiding dirt you would expose it and make sure that those who are dirty are removed from the system and if they commit felonies, imprisoned.

The framing of defendants happens too often. The victims of the system are almost always poor. If they are not poor they will be before it is over.

I have seen many cases where the prisoners are clearly innocent but the evidence in the trial does not include the evidence that shows the person is innocent. His lawyer in many cases is incompetent and/or drunk. They are appointed by the state, paid by the state so they work for the state not the defendant. They do not question the evidence and they do not put evidence into the trial that will show their defendant's innocence. In many if not most cases they know that the evidence that is submitted by the prosecutor is not proper. They know when witnesses are lying.

If you are on a jury and a jail house informant is on the stand the odds are that the witness is lying. Most are habitual liars and do it as a process to get out of jail. Each time they are arrested they are put in a cell with someone the prosecutor wants to get and lie on the stand to get out and come back again. If I get on a jury and they bring in a jail house informant there is no way I will vote to convict.

I have seen cops lie on the stand. In one case it was so obvious that the judge got the bull shit look on his face. Knowing that the cop lied the defendant got three years in prison. A judge told a defendant that she knew

the cop lied but she had to rule as if his testimony was truthful. She gave the defendant probation to compensate for the false conviction.

Bad Cops

Why do good cops protect bad cops? The same question can be asked of Doctors, Lawyers and other professions.

Don't they realize that people would trust them more if they cleaned house and got rid of the bad guys. As long as they protect them the whole profession looks bad. By not cleaning house they are condoning the bad guys actions which leads people to believe that they are all bad.

I have met up with a lot of Detroit cops. Some times it was because of being stopped for a traffic violation, being a suspected drug dealer and being busted for a felony (license fraud). A few times I saw white cops who were bigots and to me bad cops. Over the years since those times I met a lot of cops when I tended bar where most of the customers were cops and on the street. I have noticed a big change. The cops today that I meet up with seem to be good cops. There are still some bad cops but on the not as many.

I am sure that this site will make a few cops mad. I hope that the good cops realize that I am not downing them but only the bad cops. The only argument with the good cops is the protection of the bad cops by the good cops. If they would realize what the bad ones do to their image I think they would realize that it would be better to turn in the bad cops than to let them stay on the force.

On prison some one who tells is a rat and looked down on by the other prisoners. His life is always in danger and when the guards are finished with him they may let the wolves have them.

Cops are not convicts. The prisoners in most cases are bad guys. Cops in most cases are good guys. The code of silence must be broken. The code of silence is to protect the bad guys. The Mafia has a code of silence. Prisoners have a code of silence. It is the good guys job to break the code of silence.

If a cop sees a crime in progress they are supposed to stop it no matter who is committing the crime.

Thousands of innocent people are in prison because of bad cops, prosecutors and judges. A friend of mine was told by the judge that she found her guilty

because of the police officer's testimony even though she believed the defendant. My friend got probation because the judge felt she was innocent but she had to go with what the officer said.

A friend went to prison for three years because a cop lied. I could see in the judge's face that he knew the cop was lying. There were two other violations of probation so I can not say that the judge was wrong in sending him to prison. He was not charged with possession so again the judge can not be faulted but if it were not for the other two violations would he have gone to prison? I think so.

The Innocent Protection Act, Is It Enough?

The Innocence Protection Act

Reducing the Risk that Innocent Persons May be Executed

From <http://leahy.senate.gov/issues/ipa/>

The Innocence Protection Act is a comprehensive package of criminal justice reforms aimed at reducing the risk that innocent persons may be executed. Most urgently, the bill would:

(1) Ensure that convicted offenders are afforded an opportunity to prove their innocence through DNA testing

(2) Help States to provide competent legal services at every stage of a death penalty prosecution

(3) Enable those who can prove their innocence to recover some measure of compensation for their unjust incarceration and

(4) Provide the public with more reliable and detailed information regarding the administration of the nation's capital punishment laws.

(1) There are many cases where DNA is not involved. This means that many innocent cases are not helped.

(2) Many public defenders are not competent and many work for the prosecutor who has a lot to do if they get the work. Court appointed attorneys in many cases are doing something they do not want to do. They are not making the money with these cases that they do with their regular clients and give less attention to these cases. Many public defenders and court appointed attorneys do not bring forth witnesses that will help the defendants and do not question the prosecution witnesses.

(3) What is being done about the corruption in the system? The corrupt prosecutors police, judges and attorneys must be prosecuted. The corruption is obvious in most cases.

(4) No comment.

I have a big problem. What about the many people in prison who are not on death row. They should have the same protections as those on death row. A life sentence is a death sentence.

More has to be done for the thousands of people who are falsely imprisoned. There should be a special court for the innocent. It should have no connection with the judiciary. The investigators should have no connection to the prosecutors or police. Lab work must be done by independent labs with no connection to the law enforcement labs.

There should be forensic experts who have no connection with law enforcement.

Let's face it, in many cases the prosecutor, police and/or judge know that the person is innocent and many times know who the guilty person is. They hide evidence that would help the defendant's case and in many cases they fabricate evidence.

Eye witnesses are not dependable. Three people can see the same thing and have three different descriptions. There is too much dependence on the testimony of eye witnesses. The attorneys in many cases do not try hard enough to get the truth out of the witnesses which in many cases is that they do not know what they saw. They are coached by the prosecutors and in many case lie about what they saw because they prosecutors make them think that if they do not say what the prosecutor wants something bad will happen to them.

Jailhouse snitches are the worst witnesses there are. In most cases they are saying what the prosecutor wants so they can get out of jail or get a lower sentence. Many commit crimes and make a deal with the prosecutor where they are put in the defendant's cell. The prosecutor tells them what to say or they say what they know the prosecutor wants them to say. They are then released to do another crime and be a snitch again.

Snitches in most cases are habitual liars. If I was on a jury and a jailhouse snitch testified I would have to vote for acquittal because the use of a snitch give you the reasonable doubt. Most cases where they are used are last ditch efforts to get a conviction with no regard to innocence or guilt.

It is the prosecutor's job to see that justice is served and that the guilty are convicted. It is not to get a conviction if the person is innocent. If he gets a conviction of an innocent person he is not doing his job and if he thinks the person may be innocent he is obstructing justice.

The innocent people who are convicted can not afford a defense. Unscrupulous prosecutors and police take advantage of this too get convictions with no regard to justice. Most people in prison are not there because of a crime they committed but because they are poor. There is no such thing as equality in our system.

If there is any evidence pointing towards the innocence of a person convicted of a crime their case must be investigated by an independent investigator paid by the government. The system for the innocent prisoners should be a part of the legislative branch because the conviction was under the executive and judicial branch of government.

Please, write you state and federal legislators, your governor and your president. Add to that list the president of the American Bar Association and anyone else you think may help. Send a copy of this web page too.

Death in Prison

The people of this country do not realize how bad the prison system is. The look at movies like the Shaw Shank Redemption and think that is the way it was.

An inmate who has been in the system for over 40 years told me that it has been getting worse over those 40 years. Yes it is worse than the Shaw Shank Redemption shows.

Those who survive and get out on parole in most cases are not ready for the outside world because prison makes most of them worse than when they came in.

The lucky ones overcome and in spite of the system come out ready to help others or at least help themselves.

Prison is not punishment but a get even system and/or a warehouse system. The prison is supposed to protect society from predators by rehabilitation and giving them the means to survive in society without harming society. It is supposed to make them an asset instead of a liability.

Instead it beats them down and in many cases kills them. The only way to survive is to be invisible. Keep your mouth shut. Choose friends carefully. Show others that you are not to be messed with. DO NOT GET INVOLVED.

If you are weak you have little or no chance to survive. Even if you do make it through the system you will come out a beaten person. To many, suicide is the only way to survive.

We must fight the injustice system. No criminal deserves what the system hands them.

Life in prison is bad enough. If you become ill it is even worse.

Medical malpractice in prison along with neglect and mistreatment of prisoners who have illnesses and injuries are not only common but is probably the rule. Many prisoners die because of the neglect, mistreatment

and malpractice.

Many prisoners are murdered by other prisoners, guards or both.

Is it time to let the old lifers go?

There are two types of life sentences, life without parole and life. The second allows for parole after many years in prison however many governors will not allow them to be released on parole.

When a man goes into prison on a life sentence they are usually young and stupid. In many cases they are veterans who fought in the Vietnam War and came home to find out they were looked down on instead of looked up to. Many were introduced to drugs in Vietnam because of the easy access and low cost. These men came home and got caught up in the drug trade.

After 20 or 30 years these men are not the same men that went into the system. In spite of the system that tries to keep them down they work hard to rehabilitate themselves. Many of them wake up in the morning to a day that may be their last. They may be killed by another prisoner for little, the wrong or no reason. They may be killed by a guard who thinks they turned him in for something they did.

Most states are having financial problems. Some people are being let out of prison early without regard for the danger the inmates may be to society. Take a look at the lifers who have been in prison for over 20 years. Even many of those who have mandatory life sentences deserve to be paroled.

I am not saying let everyone out after 20 years. I am saying give them a chance to get parole. These men and women can become valuable members of society. How? They can talk to the youths who are in trouble. They may be able to save some young people from becoming criminals and in turn they will be saving the future victims from becoming victims.

I know a few men in prison who are close to my age (58) or older who have been in prison for 25 to 40 years. These men can give a gift to society. They have been there and done that and they can communicate with young people because they lived a life of crime and imprisonment. They were not good people when they came in. They may have been dangerous criminals but now they realize their mistakes.

If you take a psychologist or a preacher who has never committed a crime or

spent time in prison and have him talk to the young hoodlum, is the hoodlum going to listen. I doubt it. If you take an ex con who has been there and done that, the one who is on his way to prison will listen and learn.

I hope to have some ex cons helping me help the young people. I am sure that if and when those I know come out that they will help where they live and if they do I am going to do what I can to help them.

Many of these men have read a lot to help them get the skills for their eventual release knowing that the day may never come. Whenever possible they took courses to improve their educational skills.

A work release program would help them return to society. Halfway houses in the cities where they would be released could be used so they could work at the job they will have upon their release. The electronic monitoring can also be used. They could pay rent to the halfway house or for the monitoring equipment out of their earnings from the job.

One thing would have to be realized. No system is perfect. If someone messes up do not drop the program as has been done in the past.

Please remember that the recidivism rate of prisoners is an indication of the failure of the prison system not the failure of the ex con.

Lifers, should they get parole?

For capital crimes there can be 3 sentences, Death, life without parole (still a death sentence) or life. The last 2 can also be given to convicted criminals for the heinous and violent crimes and "career criminals".

Most lifers committed their crimes when they were young. Many were Vietnam Veterans who were subjected to the horrors of that war and coming home to become classified by many as murderers and many were subjected to discrimination that veterans of other wars did not find when they came home. Many had Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder from their experiences in the war.

The thing to realize is that after 20 to 30 years these inmate are different people then they were when they came to prison. All of the lifers I have been in contact should be let out. I do not mean let them go now but give them training programs and work release programs to prepare them for the outside world.

One of my new friends is an example. He would be very valuable outside the walls helping young people realize that the life of crime is not the way to go. The following is a summary of what he told me about an excellent program that was scrapped in Maryland. He was in the program and was close to parole.

154 "lifers" were placed in pre-release facilities throughout the state. They were not surrounded by fences or walls and had no guard towers. 54 gained work release status and had full time jobs. They paid an average \$100 a week in rent, taxes and were able to help their wives and children. They also earned monthly leave where they would have a weekend at home.

There were 2 incidents that stopped it. The first was an inmate who did not come back from his weekend leave when he was supposed to but he was returned without incident later. The other a man did not report for work and murdered his estranged girl friend and then killed himself.

The program was discontinued. Guards and state troopers woke the prisoners up shortly after midnight and put them in shackles and took them

to various prisons where they were locked down for 36 hours with no explanation. All of their property was left behind; many were not even fully dressed.

The governor told the parole board not to even look at applications for parole for the lifers who were eligible for parole. From then on life meant life even if the inmate was eligible for parole.

Yes you do have people on parole committing crimes and returning to prison. Prisoners are released to society without preparation for the outside world. If we rehabilitated all of the prisoners before their release I am willing to bet that few would return. In the case of the lifer's they are not the same people who went in and most would make it on parole as long as they were in a program like the above.

My friend is 51 years old and has been in prison for 31 years. Yes he did commit a crime and he does not complain about being sent to prison. His complaint is that enough is enough. He has been punished and he will be able to become a contributing member of society. Now that the States are short of money why not let those go that are no longer a threat to society.

Domestic Violence

I am a prison activist. I am against the death penalty, the imprisonment of innocent people, abuse and warehousing of prisoners. I am not against doing your time for your crime. I get upset when a person gets too much time but I also get upset when a person gets too little time. The time should fit the crime in length and severity.

Domestic Violence is a case where the man gets a slap on the risk in many if not most cases. A man can rob rape and beat his wife, live in girlfriend and/or the mother of his children and get away with it.

As far as I am concerned the man who commits domestic violence is a chicken shit and deserves hard time for his crimes. If he is killed by his victim to me it is self defense if she is in constant fear or at the most manslaughter.

Rape, robbery, assault and other violent crimes should not be tied to who the victim is. If the victim is “family” it should not change the charges. Domestic Violence is thought of in many jurisdictions as a thing between the people involved and not something that the state should get involved in. To me, that is the dumbest thing I ever heard.

I want to put a stop to the mentality that lets the perpetrators of domestic violence to get off. I want to put a stop to the deaths and beatings of the spouses and children.

We also have to be careful that we do not send innocent people to prison. There are more cases of false charges in cases of accused abuse than others crimes because the false accusation is used as a means of getting even.

Stalking laws need to be strengthened and enforced. This includes stalking by an ex lover or spouse. This includes stalking by men and women.

I feel that most cases of domestic violence are because of mental defect or illness. Why can't the person be put in prison or a mental hospital until they are no longer a threat to the victims? Why can't this be done for all violent

crimes? One problem is that or parole boards have a habit a paroling the criminals that should not be let out and keeping those that should be paroled in prison. The prison system is a money making business for the guards and other prison officials. The prison officials do not want to be successful with rehabilitation because that cuts into their income.

The system has to change. It has to rehabilitate those who will be let out and the release of the prisoners should be based on the projected success of the rehabilitation. This way we would stop letting out those that will be a threat to society. If a person is still prone to violence he should not be released.

Think of the lives that could be saved if we put the violent partner out of the situation and let the victims continue their lives safely.

One problem is that many of the victims are too afraid to do anything about it. Now in many places even if the charges are dropped by the victim the state still pursues the case. If they lose the violence may increase.

There must be a way to enforce protection orders. Instead of 30 days or less maybe it should be get out of town or go to prison.

A few years ago I met a woman and found myself falling in love. The problem was her ex. If a strange car was in front of her house at night he would destroy it. A male friend was nearly beat to death by him with a baseball bat. His family threatened the man and he would not charge him. The ex murdered a man and when he was caught he was naked. The police could not find the clothes or anything to tie him to the crime.

She was afraid to enter into a relationship and we never got together. I look at her picture often and wonder about her and what would have happened if I could have gotten rid of him. I also think about her kids. I feel that I could have helped them get through life.

Domestic Violence not only affects the victim's present life but their futures too. It also affects others who love them. If there are children involved even if the violence is not directed on them it affects them. It can make them violent or it can make them eventually strike out against the violent one. It can turn them into killers.

Loss of Job Leads to Loss of Life

Jim was an ex-con. Thanks to a Work Opportunity Credit my client hired him. This tax credit is an incentive to employers to hire people who are in a position where it is difficult to find work and people who are receiving aid. Certain ex-felons and veterans are included.

Jim became the second in command at the company. He traveled to Southeast Asia for the company to help set up the machines that were sold. He became the sales manager and supervised the shop foreman.

Things were going good for Jim. He had a company car, a good salary and got a discount on the rent for a house on the property of the company. Best of all he was staying clean and sober.

Before he came to work he was in Jackson Prison for armed robbery.

His boss saw the potential in Jim and the help from the government made it hard to pass up giving the man a chance.

Jim fell in love with the secretary. They were caught having sex in his office during working hours. The secretary started to slack off on her work thinking he would protect her job. Then she started getting an attitude with the people that called in.

The boss told Jim that she had to go. Jim said that he would go if she got fired. She got fired and he quit.

The company was North of Detroit. The secretary dropped him and he had to move out of the house and went back to Detroit.

Back in Detroit he got involved with his old buddies. He went back using drugs. He did some selling to pay for his habit. He was fast on the fast track back to prison.

This story has two endings, the police version and the street version. As you may suspect I am more inclined to believe the street version.

The Police version:

He broke into a house. He was armed and the home owner came in with his shotgun, saw the weapon and shot him.

The Street version:

A man owed him a sizable sum of money. The man finally said he had the money and told him to come to his house to get it. The man told him to come in the back door.

When he got there he came to the back door. The man told him to come in and shot him, planted a gun on him and broke into the door with a Jim's tire iron. He wiped the tire iron and put Jim's prints on it.

The police story may sound more believable but I would bet on the street story. We will never know. Jim was DOA. There were no witnesses. It was either a perfect murder or self defense.

Help Wanted - Lawyers with a Heart Needed.

There are men and women who will die or spend years in prison because they are poor. There are many innocent inmates on Death Row and who have life without parole because they could not afford an attorney. There are also many with lesser sentences too. Any time in prison for an innocent man is hard time and wrong.

There are too many inept attorneys who are public defenders. Many are on the side of the prosecutors instead of those they supposedly defend. Many times they know the client is innocent but instead of bringing forth the evidence that will free their clients they sit on it and let the state convict an innocent man. They should get the time that the innocent defendants served.

The number of cases I have seen where the prosecution not only knows the defendant is innocent but also knows the guilty party is appalling. What is just as bad is that the so-called good attorneys will not give free time to help correct the system that their peers have screwed up. You should all be ashamed of yourselves for letting your profession sink so low. Your reputation is bad enough without allowing these travesties of justice to happen.

Do your profession a favor and get rid of the incompetence? Correct the system and help these innocent inmates get their freedom. Expose the corrupt politicians and lawyers that are responsible. Make the system work like it is supposed to work. Help make this country have a system of justice that has justice for all not just the wealthy.

Our system of justice is supposed to be the best there is but I tell you if it is I pity the rest of the world because our system is unjust.

If you agree with me there is a forum on the home page tell the world how you feel. If you disagree do the same. If I were a lawyer I would not be able to sleep to well knowing my profession allows innocent men to die on death row and in prison. Take a look at the links on this site and the prisoners speak sections. Do not stop with the innocent inmates but look at the mistreatment of inmates.

I only wish that some of you would look at this sight and find it in your heart to do the right thing and help these poor people your profession has put in a place they do not belong. All I can do is pray for miracles and hope I do not need a good lawyer. I feel that I would have a better chance defending myself. I do not expect the system to be perfect but it at least should give everyone a chance to live a life without fear of getting screwed by the system.

It is sad that the prisoners and their wives have to do your job.

Michigan Medical Negligence

You will see from some of the stories on this web site that there are many cases of medical neglect, abuse, negligence and malpractice in prison that has caused inmates to have worse medical problems and in many cases their death.

I have said many times that the treatment of prisoners is a disgrace. People die in prisons due to beatings from other prisoners and /or guards. They are also subjected to sub-standard medical treatment. The animal protective services go after rodeos and circuses for treating animals badly. Prisoners are treated worse and no one complains.

Well I am complaining and there are other concerned citizens who are starting to complain. Many of those complaining are the family members of the inmates and the others are concerned citizens like me.

Prison inmates are human beings who made a mistake. In many cases they should spend the rest of their lives in prison because they are a threat to society. Even those men and women are getting their punishment and do not deserve to be treated the way they are treated. Most of those in prison will be getting out and return to society. Because of the sub standard medical treatment many will be released with severe medical problems. Many will have Hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS because the problem was not handled in prison.

The powers that be say we are saving money. What does it cost us to save that money?

Medical Neglect

The prison inmates are humans just like you and I. Some are good people and some are bad people. Many are in prisons because of drugs (selling, using, and stealing to get money for drugs, murder while committing a robbery, murder during a drug buy that went bad.) If these people were not on drugs would they be in prison? Probably not. Is the fact of their addiction an excuse for their crime? No.

Many of them find themselves in prison and realize that they are there because of their drug addiction. Many recover from their addiction. Many have Hepatitis C and AIDS from their drug use. Hepatitis C is also spread in the prison system because of unsanitary conditions.

As in the communities outside the walls the inmates inside the walls are subject to disease. Cancer and other life threatening diseases are also found in prison. Any disease in prison can become life threatening because of medical neglect. There are doctors who are not licensed to practice medicine, incompetent doctors who can not work elsewhere. There are also nurses who never heard of TLC or think it means Treat like Crap. Then you have prisoners as aids who in some cases are the only ones who have any competence and in other cases are as bad as the others. Here come the guards, who do not give a shit.

Hepatitis, AIDS and other diseases go untreated. Infections are caused by neglect. Prisoners in extreme pain are not given pain pills. The more I see the more I wonder what country I am in and what century this is. The conditions in many if not most prisons are pre medieval conditions.

Are the majority of people in this country asleep? Are our leaders asleep? I was asleep but when I got involved in this web site I woke up. **What I have found since the middle of June, 2002 has made me sick. I blame the Governors for the abuse because they have to know, if they do not they are incompetent.** It is not hidden. All you have to do is go to the search engines and look up prisons, abuse, innocent and death and most of what I have in this website will be there.

Inmates Are People Too

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Another reason for going to prison is the need to survive. Poverty drives some people to crime in order to feed their families.

Some turn to crime because they like it. I would imagine most bank robbers rob banks because they like to. Sure they are looking for big money but too many it is the rush of the power they feel. The gun makes them feel big and powerful.

Then you have people that are just down right evil.

There are also 10% or more that have not committed a crime but were too poor to afford a competent or sober attorney. These people become victims of what I call the good old boy network. This is where the prosecutor decides that they want the inmate in jail so they frame them for a crime they did not commit. The attorney and in many cases the judge are all a part of the good old boys network that also includes the cops and prosecutor. Some times the one who committed the crime is involved in the frame. They will plant someone in the cell with their victim who will lie on the witness stand using the script supplied by the prosecutor. The attorney will know what is happening but do nothing about it and may even be too drunk to do anything anyway.

Prison changes those who go in. There is a lot of time to reflect on their lives and their reasons for being there.

Prison Torture

Below you will find links about prison torture. Not all are in the US but our prison system tortures the inmates. It is not uncommon and as I read more I become sicker that our so called civilized government would condone such treatment of the prisoners. Prisoners are beaten and killed by the guards and other prisoners while guards not only allow it to happen but cause it to happen.

Many people say that they deserve what they get. No one deserves what they get. Our prison system is immoral and criminal. Many of the wardens, guards and prison official belong in prison as inmates not officials. I started my research in June of 2002 and in that time I have gone from being for capital punishment to being against capital punishment. I have gone from not thinking about our prisons or prisoners to joining the fight for prisoners' rights.

Christ asked God to forgive them for they know not what they do while he was dying on the Cross. Now those who are responsible for the prison torture do know what they do and they will be punished if not in this life in the afterlife.

Prison Life

Prison is not a pleasant place to be. It is not supposed to be? How bad should it be?

The punishment should fit the crime. The loss of freedom is very hard to deal with. The prisoners' have lost control of their lives.

They are exposed to the dangers of predators who will try to control them, rape them, beat them or kill them. These predators may not just be the other inmates but may be guards as well.

If they get sick they may not be treated for their illness. Hepatitis C is a very big danger in prison and if the inmate has it he may not be treated for it. If an inmate gets AIDS, cancer or any other disease they may find that no one cares and they may not get treated. If they are stabbed or beaten they may not receive the proper treatment. If they become handicapped they may not receive the needed equipment to help them get around out function. The Doctors may not even be licensed and many are quacks or just do not give a damn. The nurses can be equally as bad. In some cases the people who are the best caregivers are the prisoners who work in the medical areas.

Depending on the security level the prisoners may end up spending 23 hours a day in their cells. One man told me that security is so tight in the new prison he is in that they do not even have rats or cockroaches.

I spent 72 hours in a police station lock up. I was in a 6 X 6 one man cell with a toilet and sink in the open and a concrete bench to sleep on with no bedding. One wall was bars and the others were concrete. All I could see out of the bars was another wall and the guards as they passed. When I sat on the pot the female guards would walk by and see me on my thrown. I had 3 bologna sandwiches for food in the whole time. I had to drink water from the sink in my cell (nothing else to drink). When I got to the bull pen at the court house a guy told me he had a rat come into his cell. I said, "At least you had someone to talk to."

I was looking at the possibility of 2 to 4 years in prison. (I was lucky and got diversion. 1 year similar to probation and the record expunged.) I spent a week in a 10 man cell in County jail. That was not bad because the other

inmates and I enjoyed each others company. There the toilet was in the open along with a shower.

I was so happy when I found out I did not have to go to prison.

You have seen movies about prison. Many show how bad it is or do they? It is worse and it is getting worse as time goes buy. OZ on HBO was pretty close, maybe, but it is worse than that.

There are different security levels. Minimum security may not be too bad but you still do not have freedom. Super max is a warehouse of society's rejects. Supposedly the security level is based on how dangerous the prisoner is but in some cases it is based on how "good" the prisoner is. What do I mean when I say "good"? If you piss off the guards you are not "good". If you complain about your treatment or the treatment of others you may end up going up a security level or two.

Here is what I think the system should do. I admit that most don't give a rat's ass what I say but this is my site so I can say what I want. If you read this far then you probably care what I say.

First of all we have to do something about the corruption in prison. We have to catch the guards that help the prison drug dealers operate, look the other way when prisoners are beaten and murder and the ones that beat and murder the prisoners. There are probably enough of them to send all of them to a prison for bad guards, wardens, cops and other prison officials so that they stay alive and suffer.

We have to rehabilitate the prisoners. Most are going to get out someday. There must be training for jobs that the prisoners will be able to get when they get out of prison. Education is important too. They can have GED classes, correspondence courses and computer courses. Let them get a college education. Some will say we are being too nice to them. What about making society safe when they get out?

We need medical care with real doctors and nurses not the rejects of the outside world. We need doctors and nurses that will actually treat the prisoners and give them the needed medication and apparatus for the handicapped.

We need to separate the bad guys from the good guys? Instead of using security levels for punishment and getting even use them to separate the prisoners by degree of danger to other prisoners. Have support groups for those who need them. Not only for drug abusers but for those who can not cope with society.

We need mental health care also. Many of those in prison should be in mental health care facilities instead of prison. Or state officials in their infinite stupidity have released people on society who can not function in society. Every day I see people on the streets that are mentally ill and can not function in society but our leaders say that if they are not a danger to themselves or others they shall be set free. They can not get a job because they can not concentrate on their job function. Some can not even beg for survival because they can not communicate with others. I see them talking to themselves. Many are talking to imaginary people. Some are fighting imaginary people. Some direct traffic. I saw a man beating up a telephone pole. Some of these people end up in prison because it is cheaper to warehouse them that it is to treat their illness.

Separate the predators from their prey. You have some inmates that are trouble and others who are not. Try to separate the ones that are trouble from those that are not.

One problem we have is that when a person goes to prison the meet others who were in the field that they were in. A car thief goes to prison and learns from other car thieves. He learns from the mistakes of others. When he is released, if we have not trained him in a field that he could earn money, he will be better at his craft of stealing cars. He will be able to strip a car faster. He will also get caught again, go back to prison, learn more and come out as a better thief.

Another problem we have when people get out of prison they find that they can not function without being told what to do. They have a hard time making decisions because in prison the decisions were made for them. This is especially true when they were in there for many years. They come out to a world that is nothing like the world they were in before coming to prison. If they have survived 20 years in prison and go into the free world without a support system they will probably commit a crime to get back in prison because they will not be able to cope with freedom.

We have to prepare prisoners for their return to society. Many will need halfway houses to help them in their transition to society and freedom.

Many people say that the criminal should go to prison and live a life of hell. No rehabilitation but revenge by society. They fight spending money on rehabilitation and they fight helping the inmates improve themselves. They say we should not spend the money on them. What is the cost we pay when they are let out worse people than they were when they went in? It costs lives of people who would have had longer lives if they were not murdered by an ex-con who was made worse by prison. If he would have been rehabilitated the victim may not have died. The victim was a victim of those who prevent the prisons from rehabilitation. A victim of the Injustice System.

Rape or Not.

In my opinion rape is second to murder as the worst crimes. This also includes pedophilia. Many rapists and pedophiles can not be rehabilitated.

To me their prison term should be life with the possibility of release by a panel of experts in the field. When released they should have to register for a number of years until the panel says they can be taken off the list.

We do have a big problem with the enforcement of the rape and pedophile laws. Many are falsely accused and convicted. The rape shield laws may have gone too far. One innocent victim of false accusations who is imprisoned is too many. The system has made it so that it is the accuser's word against the accused. Yes DNA evidence is their but it does not say anything about consent.

I also think we should look at the statutory rape charges. We have children tried as adults and sent to adult prisons. I know of a person that went to prison when he was 13 for a crime he did not commit. He is 25 now and has another 27 years before he will get out unless something is done to correct the wrong.

If a young man sees a woman at a bar and they end up in bed and she is under age, he is guilty of statutory rape even if she seduced him. The logic is that she does not know what she is doing even if she does know what she is doing. A man's life can be ruined by a 15 year old girl who lies about her age and looks and acts older than she is. In some cases the "victim" is the aggressor and the accused is the victim.

I am not trying to lessen the seriousness of rape. I am not trying to make it easier for the guilty rapist or pedophile to get away with their crime. It is not always black and white. I do not want to see a rapist or pedophile get away.

One problem we have is that there are many bad lawyers out there and crooked prosecutors who would rather put an innocent person in jail than to lose a case.

I am going to have some cases shown on the web site. Take a look at them and you decide.

Rehabilitation?

Are prisons supposed to be warehouses of society's rejects or are they supposed to rehabilitate criminals so that they may become productive members of society?

It seems to me that they are warehouses. If the prisoners were dogs or cats the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals would be pitching a fit. In many cases they are treated worse than you hear about the racing dogs, circus animals and rodeo animals.

What surprises me is that some prisoners do come out better people than they were when they went in. The reason is that while they were there they realized their mistakes and came to the conclusion that they did not want to come back. Their outlook on life changed and in spite of the conditions they realized that it is their fault that they were there.

Another thing that surprises me is how many innocent people are in prison. Some of them work to prove their innocence and spend their time on their cases when they are allowed to. It surprised me that many of them after years of false imprisonment are good people and they have not been destroyed by the system that put them there.

What doesn't surprise me is that some of the innocent prisoners are turned into a menace to society and come out of prison to become criminals and/or substance abusers. They come out with mental problems and in some cases end up in mental institutions or back in prison.

Prisons can take a good man and turn him into a bad man or a bad man and turn him into a worse man.

Some are lucky and get a cell mate or meet someone who will help them cope and grow into a good person. Someone who will give them spiritual guidance that will help them help themselves.

Yes some prisons have rehabilitation programs including drug programs, education programs, vocational training programs, work release programs and other methods of rehabilitation.

They also have drugs that are smuggled in by visitors and guards. They have cruel guards who keep the prisoners down, beat them, set them up for cases against them, look the other way when they are attacked by other prisoners and have other ways to physically and mentally abuse them. The infirmaries have doctors who can not work anywhere else (Many who are not even licensed.) because they are incompetent, nurses who ignore their needs and guards who abuse them. In some cases the prisoners who work there are the only ones who care and are the only ones who are competent.

Prison is a big business and those who run the system want the repeat offenders to come back. They have a vested interest in not turning out rehabilitated prisoners. Many guards, wardens and other prison staff members make money off the system.

Many people say that prison is for punishment. Conditions for the convicts are supposed to be harsh. They get what they deserve. Make life miserable for them. What they do not realize is that most of the prisoners will return to society.

It seems to me that we would save money and lives if the prisons rehabilitated the prisoners and treated them humanely. Give them training for jobs and educate them. Give them treatment for mental illnesses. Give them quality medical care. Give them drug abuse and anger management programs.

We have to realize that the loss of freedom and control of your daily life is the punishment portion of being a prisoner. The prison authorities can stop the drugs from coming into the prisons. They can hire people who care.

Then we have the parole system. I have met parole officers who care. They work with the men and women that they have control over. Then you have the ones that do not care and harass instead of help. We also have the problem of too many cases for the parole officers. They do not have the time to do the job that needs to be done.

The object of parole is not only to violate the parolee when he makes a mistake but it is also to help the parolee blend back into society. It is supposed to help the parolee stay out of prison not to put him back in.

One thing we have to realize is that people change. The person you send to prison is not the same person that gets out. Who that person is when he or she gets out is dependent on the treatment they receive in prison.

The Police vs. The Media vs. The Street

Who has the truth?

I have spent a lot of time in the streets. Many crimes have 2 stories. One is what you get from the news media and the injustice system and what you hear on the streets. In many cases the truth is in between and in many other cases the truth is the street version. Jermont and others when they tell you their stories their side is what is heard in the streets. They know who really committed the crime that they have been convicted of but they do not have the money to prove it and in many cases the police and prosecutors know who the real killer is too.

What the jury hears in the trial in many cases has nothing to do with the truth or it is the twisted truth. Things are not said that would clear the accused even though in many cases the prosecutor and the defense attorneys know that the accused is innocent.

I have heard that judges always take the word of the police even if there words are lies. I had a lady friend who went to court on a trumped up charge. The police were lying through their teeth. The judge said she was guilty and she got 1 year probation and at the end of the year the record was expunged... She found out that the judge knew she was innocent but went along with the police and let her off "easy" and she has no record.

An ex girl friends brother was busted by the cops. He was on lifetime probation for a drug offense. He had \$340.00 on him for paying the phone and utilities. In court only one cop showed up, I think the other one did not want to commit perjury. The police frisked him and put him in back of their car. At the police station they said that when he got out of the car an eight ball (crack) fell out of his pocket. (Remember that he was frisked. This was the cop's testimony.) He also said that he had \$240.00 on him from selling drugs. (What happened to the other \$100.00?)

The judge violated his probation and sent him to prison for 3 years. The good thing is that after the 3 years the judge said he was even and was a free man. (Probably a guilty conscience.)

I can normally tell when a person is lying by looking into their eyes and watching their body language. I could see that the cop was lying through his teeth and from the look on the judge's face I knew that he knew.

I do not want you to think that I think that all cops are bad. Most are of those I run into are good. There are still many bad cops.

In 1989 or 90 there was a gun battle between police and a family at a suburban motel. Two police were killed. The mother and three brothers went to prison. I am not going to say that the family was innocent. They did kill the officers. The news media said that they were con artists. The police were arresting the mother for a bad check. The story according to the police and the paper the officer took the mother hand to handcuff her and the brothers came out with their guns and started shooting...

I was called by a reporter because my card was found in the room. They did not like my story. These people were not con artists. They contacted me before their down fall. They were a black family and they were trying to set up a black owned mortgage company. They were being watched by the FBI and the banks were against them. I met the head of a large mortgage company that was helping them set up. I saw letters from prominent people in the area and a letter from a large labor union that would invest the money (A very large amount) to fund the company.

Suddenly I did not hear from them. I called and was told that the deal was off and the next I heard they were in a shoot out with the police. The banks won, two police officers and the family lost.

The news media did not want to hear the truth. They were concerned with making sure that what they wanted the public to know not what the truth was.

A few years later I was in the streets near where it happened. There I got the street version of the story. Normally if there are three different versions the story the street version has the most truth. According to the streets before the police came they were told that there was a contract out on the mother and the hit men were cops. When the cops came they thought they were the hit men. When the cop grabbed the mother they thought they preventing the hit by shooting him.

People I have known on the streets have been killed. No one really cared because they were the invisible society. In many cases the killers were never caught because no one cared. I would know based on the grape vine but the grapevine is not admissible as evidence. When the police want to solve a crime where do they go? They go to the streets and read the grape vine.

Many of the cases of the people in prison that I have been corresponding with I see where the truth is in the streets but in their case the police are not listening to the streets. They do not care because it is easier or more profitable to convict the wrong person for the crime. In many cases they figure they can get the right guy later when he kills someone else. I would imagine that in some cases the one who is guilty buys his way out.

There are cases where the family of a girl friend will frame her boyfriend for a crime so that he is out of the way. There is a man on death row because he is black and his girlfriend was white. Her brother killed two people and framed him. I know that the streets know the truth. Just to make the death penalty available they had a witness who said she saw the boyfriend murder someone three years before. What did not come out in the trial is that she said she saw it through his eyes. What did not come out in the trial was that she was mentally ill and saw things that were not there. He was never arrested or tried for the murder. I doubt that it ever happened.

It should be noted however that when the street people testify they do not always tell the truth. In many if not most cases they are testifying for the prosecutor saying what the prosecutor told them to say. You have to ask what they are getting in return for their testimony. If it is keeping them out of jail to testify what they say should be ignored by the jury because they are there to save their butt.

Women In Prison

I feel that the vast majority are in prison because of a man. Many cases where the woman was being abused and finally could not take it any more and the kill the tormentor. To me this is self defense even if the man is asleep. She knows that when he wakes up the odds are that he will kill her sooner or later. When she is being beaten she can not stop him. When he is resting she defends herself by putting an end to the abuse once and for all.

I knew of a woman whose boyfriend sold drugs out of her house. They got busted and she went to prison and he got off. The older daughter was 18 so she and here 15 year old sister lived there. Daughter's boyfriend moves in and sells drugs. Luckily she threw the boyfriend out before he got busted.

See the links page. The site called Surviving the System has more from the women in prison. The stories, essays and letters on these pages are retyped as written. I have not changed any words so if you do not like certain words do not yell at me. I am not responsible for the content or the language. All of them are subject to copyright laws and can not be reproduced without the permission of the authors of the pages.

The End

Hopefully this is not the end but the beginning of the end of the injustice system in our country and others. I hope and pray that many of the readers will join in the fight against injustice.

If you have seen cases or been the victim injustice, please contact me so that we can expose those who are involved. You would be surprised how many people live in fear for their lives and freedom. Many have lost everything they have because they disagreed with the powers that be in their city, county, state or country. Many have lost their lives.

It is time to fight for your freedom from fear and intimidation. You may be thinking that I am in Detroit and have nothing to fear. How can I tell you to fight when it is not my fight? It is my fight. This country is full of little Hitlers and other dictators who rule their little dictatorships with an iron hand. Each one and their cohorts are a disgrace to our country.

The bad part of it is that the higher government agencies rarely do anything about it. They know who the bad guys are. They can easily get the evidence to put them in jail. These clowns are obvious.

Yes talking can be dangerous. Even if you are anonymous they may be able of figure out who you are by the story contents. I can not protect you. I have a hard time protecting myself.

Since I have had the Injustice System web site I have been threatened and I have ruffled a lot of feathers. I think this book will increase the people who would like to get me. Frankly I am not worried. I am not looking over my shoulder.

I just hope that if they do get me someone will take over the fight I have started.

Thank you, for reading the book. If you have anything you want to tell about please feel free to e-mail it to me. I will probably add it to the web site. We do not pay for these stories.

Lee W. Gaylord

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Appendix I

Innocent Prisoners

Many if not most of the thousands of innocent people in prisons are there because of the [Good Old Boys](#). In most of these cases the prosecution and the police know that the person is innocent. Evidence is fabricated, ignored or "lost". These are poor people who can not afford to defend themselves. The court appointed attorneys in most cases work for the prosecutor and ignore evidence that will help their clients. Others are drunk in court and/or sleep in court. Some of them do their jobs but the odds are stacked against them.

The information is supplied by the inmates and/or their families. I feel that the information that they have supplied is true, however, there is a possibility that some of these people are not totally truthful. I do feel that these cases should be looked into more deeply and the truth should be known.

If you go to theinjusticesystem.org you will find the links to the following web sites.

Possible innocent victims of wrongful imprisonment on theinjusticesystem.org

- [Christopher Dunn](#) - MO
- [Jermont Cox](#) Death Row - PA
- [James Phillip Anderson](#) Death Row - CA
- [Siddique Abdullah Hasan](#) Death Row - OH
- [Ish'od Gi'hon](#) Death Row - FL
- [Marvin Gabrion](#) Death Row Federal - MI case
- [Hasan Baz'il Shakoor](#) Death Row - TX
- [Eddie Greer](#) - MO over 25 years and innocent
- [Obadyah Ben-Yisrayl](#) - Death Row - IN
- [Harry Bout](#) - MI - Dutch Citizen ignored by his country
- [Kenneth Foster, Jr.](#) - Death Row - TX
- [Carl Drew](#) - MA - You must read his story
- [Susan May](#) - UK

- [Patricia Carman](#) - TX - 50 years because she accused EMS of negligence
- [Michael Manning's Mother Speaks](#) - PA
- [Jean Phellp's son Bobby](#) - MO
- [Beverly Brabham](#) - AL
- [John David Wurdemann](#) Slandered by America's Most Wanted
- [Susan Russo](#) - CA
- [Teresa Fargason](#) - WA
- [Michael Brown](#) - CO
- [David Hills](#) - VA
- [Keith Niemic](#) - MA
- [Michael Lawrence](#) - VA DNA test could clear him.
- [Chico Tibbs - 13 when arrested](#) - VA
- [Clemente Suarez](#) - TX
- [Thaddeus Hamilton](#) - CA
- [Michael Dotson](#) - TN
- [George Mullenix](#) - Find out about Angola, LA Hell on earth is an understatement.
- [Daniel Chairez](#) - Innocence Diminished - TN
- [Leon Benson - The Battle Cry of Innocence and more](#) - IN
- [Melvin B Coley](#) - AZ
- [Thomas Koonce - The Director of Second Thoughts](#) - MA
- [Vincent Alfred Simmons, Jr.](#) - Angola - LA
- [Timothy Fonseca](#) - CA
- [Walter Cage](#) - IL
- [Alan Yurko](#) - Convicted of Murder of his baby to cover up medical malpractice. FREED 8/27/04 - FL
- [Ralph Stokes](#) - An innocent man who has been on death row for over 21 years - PA
- [Eddie Romero](#) - Death Row - PA
- [Reginald Sinclair Lewis - Author](#) Death Row - PA
- [Joseph Tyrone Zeno](#) - Angola - LA
- [Terry Buchanan - Victim of GA DSS and Ex wife](#)
- [Randy Arroyo-Baez](#) - Death Row - TX - 17 when arrested.
- [Henry Gorham](#) - VA - 9 years ago when Gov. commuted his sentence to life he said he thought he was innocent.
- [Dwight \(Nick\) Davidson](#) - A case of misdiagnosed child death
- [Darryl Buckingham](#) - TX
- [Timothy Rice](#) - Death Row - PA
- [Timothy Sandfort](#) - Victim of DFS

- [A Grandmother's Story](#) misdiagnosed child death
- [Terrance Bowman-Taylor](#) - Death Row - NC
- [Mickey Lee Davis](#) - MI
- [Marcus Adkins](#) - MO
- [Tyrone Daniels](#) - Tamms, IL
- [Daniel Grayline](#) - Ark
- [Brent Parris](#) - AL
- [Edward Brooks](#) - NC
- [Paul Pelham](#) - NC
- [Troy Foster](#) **This letter has not been edited. The language is sexually explicit. CA**
- [Larry Stephens](#) - TX
- [Sandy Hamma](#) - MO
- [William Freeman](#) - FL
- [Clinton Teasley](#) - AL
- [Neal Robbins](#) - TX misdiagnosed child death
- [Jerome Johnson](#) - Tamms, IL
- [Luke Johnson](#) - MD May contain offensive language

Possible innocent victims of the wrongful imprisonment on other site links to these sites can be found on theinjusticesystem.org:

- [The Patrick Crusade](#)
- [John Maloney - Life in Prison.](#)
- [Shaykh Islam Haymond.](#) Innocent sentenced to Live without parole.
- [Gary Reeves - Pardoned after 7 years in prison but he wants to prove his innocence.](#)
- [Jarvis Jay Masters.](#)
- [Amos King's time is running out. Look at this site and you will wonder why he is on death row. Executed](#)
- [Jason's Story.](#)
- [Kenny Richey is the Innocent Scot on Ohio's Death Row. Convicted of a crime that never happened.](#)
- [True account. Soul Survivors. Ursula and Samuel.](#)
- [Omar Shepherd - sentenced to 18 years 4 months at 16 for a crime he did not commit.](#) This is on surviving the system there are links to others on the page.

- [Greg Summers On death row in Texas](#)
- [Michael Brown](#)
- [Free Kirstin Labato](#) **[Kirstin Needs Help with Appeal Costs](#)**
- [Jerry Riley - Wrongfully Imprisoned](#)
- [Tony Ford - Innocent man on Texas Death Row](#)
- [Rasheem Matthew](#)
- [Tonya Hudkins McCartor](#)
- [The McCartor Fund](#)
- [Jose Busanet](#)
- [Robert Glenn Jones, Jr.](#)
- [Ken Marsh](#)
- [The Injustice Busters](#)
- [Christopher Coleman - Texas Death Row](#)
- [Vince Doan and Tracy Baker](#)
- [JAMES LOVE COLLATERAL DAMAGE](#)
- [Bittersweet Home Alabama](#) - A story every mother and son should read
- [Virginia Larzelere](#) - Innocent woman on Death row.
- [Brent Parris – convicted wrongfully](#)
- [The Innocent in Prison Org](#)
- [Free JDee](#)
- [Laurie Kellogg](#)
- [Edward Schleigh – Ghost Bear](#)
- [The James B. Upchurch Story](#)
- [Criminal Injustice](#)
- [Free Darren Koehn](#)
- [Michael Flinner](#) Time is running out for Michael

Appendix II

Help for Ex-cons

Help for Ex-cons at Prison Talk On Line

<http://www.prisontalk.com/forums/archive/index.php/f-53.html>

Sharif's EX - OFFENDERS' RESOURCE PAGES

<http://www.angelfire.com/fl4/prison/exresource.html>

Transitional Jobs

<http://www.transitionaljobs.net/Resources/Resources-Population.htm>

Prisons Net

<http://www.prisons.net/>

National Hire Network

<http://www.hirenetwork.org/>

Legal Action Center
153 Waverly Place
8th Floor
New York, NY 10014
Phone (212) 243-1313
Fax (212) 675-0286

Criminal Employment Workforce

<http://www.businessownersideacafe.com/cyberschmooz/BizIdeas/5749.html>

Ex-Con Kids Get a Lift from RISE

<http://www.jrn.columbia.edu/studentwork/children/download/rise.shtml>