

Northern Arizona Justice Project
Survey Questionnaire

Name: _____ Inmate ID# _____

Address (include cell number and location): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Where did you grow up?

Instructions: Please answer all of the questions that apply to your case.

I The Facts of Your Case

1. What crime(s) were you convicted of for which you are currently serving this prison sentence?

2. Do you feel you are innocent of the crime(s) for which you are currently serving this prison sentence? Yes _____ No _____.

3. Were you present at the scene of the crime? Yes _____ No _____.

4. List all prior convictions:

5. Briefly describe the facts of your case in as much detail as possible (include dates, names, and details of the crime you were convicted of).

II Attorney and Court Information

6. Date of Arrest:

7. Place of Arrest:

8. Primary Investigating Detective (name and address):

9. Charge(s):

10. Name(s) of Victim(s):

11. Date and Place of Conviction:

a. Date of Conviction:

b. City and County:

12. Trial Case Number:

13. Your Trial Attorney(s): (Name, address, telephone):

14. Prosecuting Attorney(s): (Name, address, telephone):

15. Trial Judge (Name):

16. Have you appealed your current conviction? Yes _____ No _____

17. If no, explain why you have not filed for an appeal.

18. If yes, was your appeal decided? Yes _____ No _____

19. If pending, what is your case number? _____

20. If you have appealed what court heard your first appeal?

21. Did you seek review in the state Supreme Court? Yes _____ No _____

22. Have you filed in Federal Court? Yes _____ No _____

23. If "Yes," when did you file? _____

24. Have you filed any other post-conviction motions or petitions?

Yes _____ No _____.

25. If yes, was it in State Court?

26. Date a decision was rendered?

27. If yes, was it in Federal Court?

28. Date a decision was rendered?

29. List the issues raised in all of your post-conviction motions or petitions.

30. Appellate Attorney(s) (Name, address, telephone):

31. Appellate Prosecutor(s) (Name, Address, telephone):

32. Who is your current attorney? (Name, address, telephone):

III About You and Your Case

33. What is your first language?

34. Does new evidence exist in your case that would lead to proving your innocence? Please describe.

35. Was this evidence raised on appeal?

36. Why do you think the victim(s) made complaints against you?

37. Do you believe that you have an alibi that proves you could not have committed the crime you have been convicted of? Yes _____ No _____.

38. If "Yes" what is it?

39. Was this alibi raised at trial? Yes _____ No _____.

40. If "No," why wasn't your alibi raised at trial?

41. Do you have some way to prove the alibi? Yes _____ No _____

42. If "Yes," how?

43. Is a witness recantation statement needed to prove your innocence?
Yes _____ No _____

44. If "Yes," who needs to recant their testimony or identification?

45. Did the police or investigating detective ever interview you?
Yes _____ No _____

46. If "Yes," how many times were you interviewed? _____

47. How long did the interviews last? _____

48. Did you ask to speak with a lawyer during the interview?
Yes _____ No _____.

49. When was the first time you spoke with your lawyer after you were arrested?

50. Did you give a statement? Yes _____ No _____.

58. If "Yes," who did you give the statement to? _____.

59. Please describe what you told the police.

60. Was your lawyer present when you signed the statement? Yes ____ No ____

61. Was it a written statement? Yes _____ No _____.

62. If “Yes,” did you sign it? Yes _____ No _____.

63. Why did you give a statement?

64. Did you confess to the crime for which you were sentenced to death?
Yes _____ No _____.

IV What Happened At Trial?

65. Did you testify? Yes _____ No _____

66. If “No,” why not?

67. Did any alleged victim(s) testify? Yes _____ No _____

68. Did the prosecution rely on the testimony of doctors, scientists, or other forensic specialists? Yes _____ No _____

69. If “Yes,” what kind of experts testified for the prosecution?

70. Did defense counsel rely on the expert testimony of doctors, scientists, or other forensic specialists? Yes _____ No _____

71. If "Yes," what kind of experts testified for the defense?

72. Did any alleged victim(s) identify you? Yes _____ No _____

73. If "Yes," when and where? (example: at the scene of the crime, line-up, in court, other).

74. Did anyone else identify you? Yes _____ No _____

75. If "Yes," when and where?

76. If someone other than the alleged victim identified you, did that person testify? Yes _____ No _____

77. Did you plead guilty? Yes _____ No _____

78. Did your attorney talk to you about the plea agreement? Yes _____ No _____

79. If English is not your first language, did an interpreter explain the plea agreement to you? Yes _____ No _____
80. Did you understand the plea agreement? Yes _____ No _____
81. Did you understand the charges? Yes _____ No _____
82. What did the plea mean to you?
83. Was the plea in writing? Yes _____ No _____
84. If the plea was in writing, did you sign it? Yes _____ No _____
85. If "yes," was your attorney present? Yes _____ No _____
86. Did you understand what you were signing? Yes _____ No _____
87. If "No," what did you think you were signing?
88. When did you go to court and plead guilty?
89. Did the judge ask you if you understood the plea agreement? Yes _____ No _____

90. Was your attorney with you in court when you pled guilty? Yes _____ No _____

91. If "No," did you ask for an attorney? Yes _____ No _____

92. Did you want to plead guilty? Yes _____ No _____

93. Did you want to go to trial? Yes _____ No _____

94. Why did you plead guilty?

95. Did you know that you could withdraw your plea? Yes _____ No _____

96. If "Yes," did you try to withdraw your plea? Yes _____ No _____

97. Was there any physical and/or biological evidence recovered during the investigation of your case? Yes _____ No _____

98. Were any bodily fluids or hair samples obtained from the victim(s)? (For example: vaginal, or anal swabs, blood, or saliva). Yes _____ No _____

99. If "Yes," what samples were obtained?

100. Were an bodily fluids or hair samples obtained from the crime scene? Yes _____ No _____

101. If “Yes,” what samples were obtained?

102. Was any testing done on the bodily fluids or hair samples of the victim? Yes _____ No _____

103. If “Yes,” what kind of testing was done?

104. Was any testing done on your bodily fluids or hair samples? Yes _____ No _____

105. If “Yes,” what kind of testing was done?

106. Do you or your attorney have a report of the results? Yes _____ No _____

107. Were the results of the tests used at trial? Yes _____ No _____

108. Assuming it could establish innocence, list any item(s) of evidence you think can be subjected to a DNA test.

109. Would you be willing to submit to a DNA test knowing that the test could confirm your guilt or innocence? Yes _____ No _____

110. Is there any physical evidence that is still available? Yes _____ No _____

111. If "Yes" what is it?

112. Where is it?

113. Who has it?

114. Was it used at trial? Yes _____ No _____

115. Did you receive a Destruction of Evidence notice? Yes _____ No _____

116. If "Yes," on what date? _____

117. Would you be willing to submit to a lie detector test to assist in proving innocence? Yes _____ No _____

118. Do you believe you received quality legal defense? Yes _____ No _____

119. If "No," why not?

120. What other information would be helpful for us to know about your case?

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DATED: _____

Signature

(Please print name)

