

Kentucky Wrongful Convictions

| | CLIENT | YEAR OF CONVICTION | COUNTY OF CONVICTION | TRIAL/PLEA | CONVICTIONS | SENTENCE (IN YEARS) | TIME SERVED (IN YEARS) | DATE SENTENCE WAS VACATED | REASON SENTENCE WAS VACATED | CAUSE OF WRONGFUL CONVICTION |
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| 1 | William Gregory | 1993 | Jefferson | Trial | Rape 1st, Attempted Rape 1st, Burglary 1st | 70 | 7 | July 5, 2000 | Cross-Racial ID; Fabricated Hair Comparison | Eyewitness misidentification - Victim, invalidated forensic science |
| 2 | Larry Osborne | 1999 | Whitley | Trial | Murder (2x), Arson, Burglary 1st, Robbery 1st | Death | 4 | April 26, 2001 (conviction reversed); August 8, 2002 (acquitted on retrial) | Principal evidence at trial was not subject to cross examination | Reliance on coerced testimony of juvenile witness |
| 3 | Herman May | 1988 | Franklin | Trial | Rape 1st, Sodomy 1st | 40 | 13 1/2 | September 18,2002 | DNA testing and improper ID | Eyewitness misidentification - Victim in Photo Lineup and at Trial, Invalidated Microscopic Hair Comparison used at Trial |
| 4 | Denarrius Terry | 2003 | Logan | Trial | Murder, Robbery 1st, Wanton Endangerment 1st | 45 years | 4 1/2 | January 20, 2005 (conviction reversed); September 2, 2005 (acquitted on retrial) | Principal evidence at trial was not subject to cross examination | Unreliable witness testimony |
| 5 | Tim Smith | 2000 | Kenton | Trial | First Degree Sodomy | 20 | 7 | May 5, 2006 | Perjury | False expert testimony - Psychologist gave false information regarding her education, Perjury - Alleged Victim Lied |
| 6 | Ben Kiper | 1999 | Butler | Trial | Sexual Abuse | 55 | 7 | May 6, 2006 | Perjury | Perjury - Alleged Victim Lied |
| 7 | John Phillips | 2005 | McCreary | Trial | Assault 1st | 10 years | 4 | April 20, 2007 (conviction reversed); December 4, 2008 (acquitted on retrial) | Jury was not properly instructed | Unreliable witness testimony and inadequate forensic evidence |
| 8 | Jacquelyn Green | 2000 | McCreary | Plea | Complicity to Commit Murder under EED | 18 | 7 | December 11, 2007 | Clemency | Government misconduct and Ineffective Assistance of Counsel - Pled guilty to a crime that does not exist in Kentucky |
| 9 | Sam Plotnick | 2001 | Whitley | Trial | Sexual Abuse | 18 | 7 | January 18, 2008 | Perjury | Ineffective Assistance of Counsel - Failure to object to hearsay statement which unfairly bolstered the Victim Testimony in the Commonwealth's case. |
| 10 | Jason Girts | 2004 | Bullitt | Trial | Sex Abuse 1st | 5 | 3 | April 29, 2008 | Perjury | Perjury - Alleged Victim Lied |
| 11 | Lacy Bedingfield | 1996 | Fayette | Trial | Rape 1st | 25 | 14 | September 11, 2008 | DNA testing and perjury | Coerced Confession, Improper forensic evidence - Serologist Expert overemphasized the meaning of the serology test, Perjury - Alleged Victim Lied |
| 12 | Edwin A. Chandler | 1995 | Jefferson | Trial | Robbery 1st, 2nd Degree Manslaughter | 30 | 9 | October 13, 2009 | Modern digital fingerprinting technology | Coerced Confession, Police Misconduct - Conduct leading to confession, Failure to investigate Alternative Suspect provided by eyewitness on night of crime, Failure to investigate new evidence after conviction |
| 13 | Michael VonAllmen | 1983 | Jefferson | Trial | Rape 1st, Sodomy 1st, Robbery 1st | 25 | 11 | June 4, 2010 | Proof that serial rapist had actually committed rape | Eyewitness misidentification - Victim |
| 14 | Kerry Porter | 1996 | Jefferson | Trial | Murder | 60 | 14 | December 19, 2011 | Evidence that another person committed the offense | Eyewitness misidentification - Victim's fellow employee who chased the perpetrator after the shooting. |