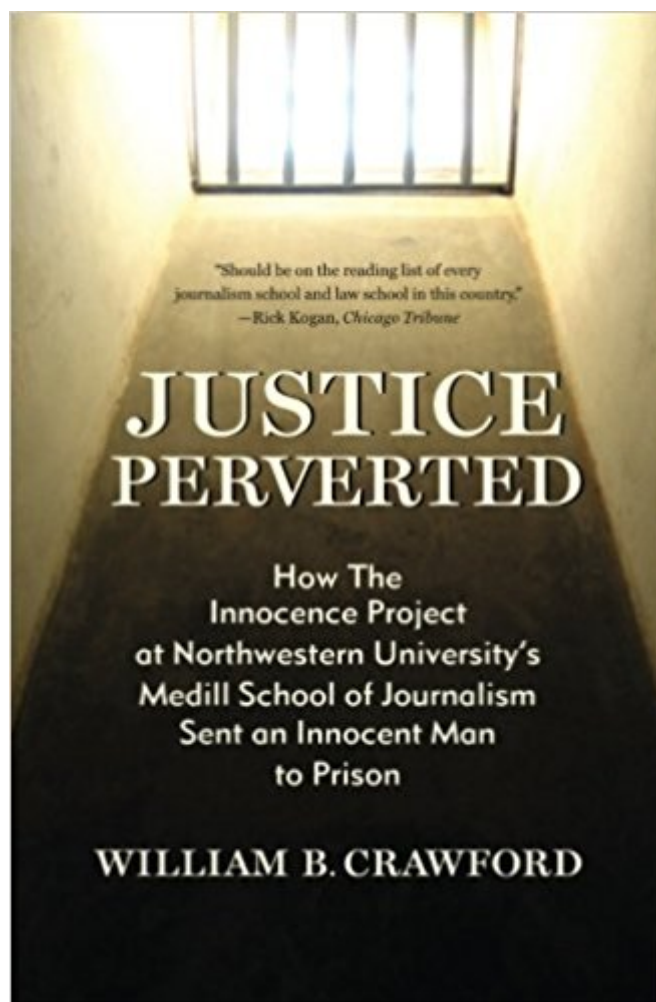


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# Justice Perverted: How The Innocence Project At Northwestern University's Medill School Of Journalism Sent An Innocent Man To Prison





## Synopsis

Rick Kogan, Chicago Tribune: “Should be on the reading list of every journalism school and law school in this country.” In 1983, Anthony Porter was convicted of the brutal double murder of Marilyn Green and Jerry Hillard. While sitting in the bleachers near Chicago’s Washington Park swimming pool, the victims were shot multiple times at point-blank range. Porter was sentenced to death. In 1998, within fifty hours of Porter’s scheduled execution, the Illinois Supreme Court granted a stay, pending a hearing on Porter’s mental competency. At this point, journalism professor David Protess and his Northwestern University Innocence Project students took up Porter’s cause. Soon, Porter was released from prison, and Alstony Simon, then a Milwaukee resident, was convicted of the Washington Park homicides. But that’s not the end of the story. Nor is it all of the story. Simon himself has now been exonerated and is suing Northwestern University, David Protess, and two other individuals for more than \$40 million in punitive damages. This is the true story of how and why Alstony Simon replaced Anthony Porter in prison.

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William B. Crawford is a former reporter, writer and legal affairs columnist for the Chicago Tribune. During a twenty-three-year career at the newspaper, he was the recipient of a Pulitzer Prize as well as many other major awards for his work. After leaving the newspaper, he was the Chicago Mercantile Exchange’s senior vice president of global communications. In 2002, he co-founded O’Connell & Crawford LLC, a media strategy and crisis management firm.

Rent Asunder is Crawford's first novel. Justice Perverted: How The Innocence Project at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism Sent an Innocent Man to Prison was his second book.

Thank you Bill Crawford. It's regrettable the media outlets that were complicit in peddling all the BS the Innocence Project fed them refuse to acknowledge their lack of due diligence and responsibility in setting these murderers free, and the danger and financial expense this has put upon the taxpayers of Chicago.

This is an incredible story on how the system failed all of us. My name is Charles Salvatore and I Am one of the detective along with my partner who investigated these murders. This is a must read for everyone to understand how politics can dictate our justice system. Thank you Bill for exposing this miscarriage of justice. Thanks you again for clearing my name and my partners name.

Important book from Bill Crawford, a heroic journalist. Crawford, as a semi-retired reporter does more legwork and investigation than entire teams of current Tribune and Sun-Times reporters do on any story. Bill Crawford literally saves a man from prison with his journalism here, and in the meantime shuts down one of Cook County's most entrenched and vile rackets, run out Northwestern University with the complicity of the Chicago Media, Trial Lawyers and Political Machines There are still questions that could be answered here (who was the second man with the shooter, for example) if someone wanted to expand on this work, but this book makes a huge impact in a short format. Congratulations to the everyone who worked against business as usual here to free a man imprisoned for crimes he did not commit.

An excellent expose' of how power and cognitive conceit [the self-belief of I'm never wrong] can cause gross injustices to occur A great wrong, in this case, was that it was done using the name of an organisation whose sole aim is to free the wrongly convicted using DNA.

I know this case very well and this book does a great job of exposing the Innocence Project at Northwestern university and the lengths they would go to, even stepping WAY over the line. Don't believe everything you read in the newspaper, this book sets things straight.

Fantastic story about the corruption of the Innocence Project (OJ's lawyer) and why skepticism

about their motives is merited.

Crawford is an old time police and investigative reporter who knows how to put the pieces together of a true life crime story. Justice Perverted says it all. Crawford worked on this for 5 years finding the truth and helping set free an innocent man.

A true revelation. A remarkable piece of true investigative journalism peeling back corruption by....investigative journalists. The Pulitzer-prize winning author is revealing one of the most under-reported stories in criminal justice!

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