

WILL YOU TAKE A STAND AGAINST INJUSTICE?

7 Reasons Why Mr. Velazquez's Conviction Must Be Vacated:

1. Mr. Velazquez and his alibi witness have both taken lie detector tests and have passed them with flying colors.
2. Eyewitnesses have recanted their identifications and changed their trial testimony.
3. There is no physical or DNA evidence against Mr. Velazquez.
4. There is absolutely no connection between Mr. Velazquez and the admitted co-perpetrator of the crime.
5. A seated juror was identified as the shooter during Velazquez's trial, yet still voted to find him guilty, but has since admitted that he made a grave mistake.
6. There is an outstanding disparity between the initial descriptions of the shooter's appearance and race-as provided by every single witness-and Mr. Velazquez's actual appearance and race.
7. The police failed to pursue and investigate an individual by the name of "Mustafa" who was identified to law enforcement by multiple independent sources as the shooter and the person responsible for the death of the deceased.

"Let Congress [or any State] make no law abridging the freedom of speech... or the right of the people to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-US Constitution, Ammendmant I

CALL TO ACTION

"A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can lather the course of history"
-Mohandas K. Gandhi

For anyone listening, or for anyone concerned, for anyone who understands the value of your life and the value of your freedom... now is the time to act. Now is the time to help Jon-Adrian Velazquez, an innocent man who has been wrongly accused and convicted of a crime he did not commit. Now is the time to demand justice in the form of freedom from those we trust to uphold the founding principles of this nation. Now is the time to demand Jon-Adrian's immediate release. Because with every passing day that he spends in prison, another day is stolen from his life.

***"Opportunity is often, lost in deliberation.
Together we can make a difference..."***

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your time can
help save a
man's life.
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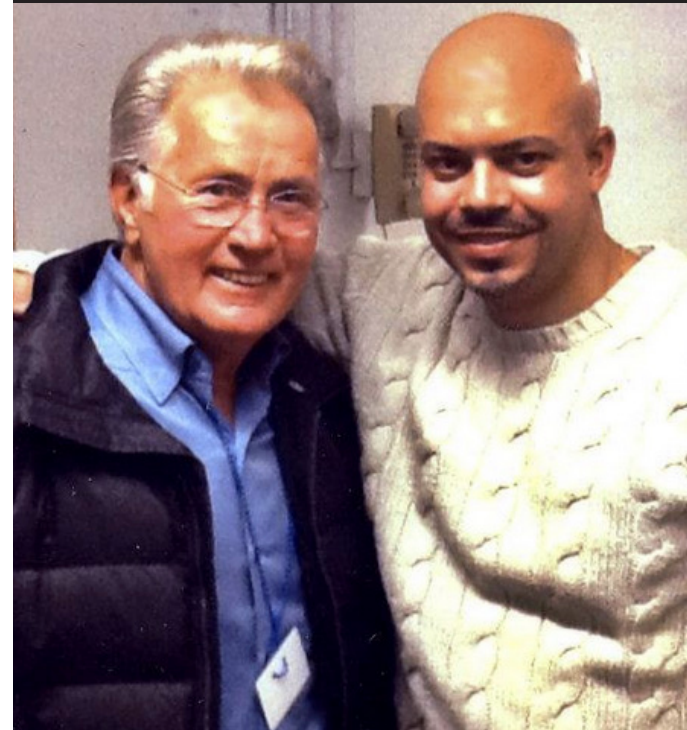


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An Innocent Man Makes
a Public Cry for Freedom

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***"I don't think there's anybody who's fair-minded
who's not going to be outraged by this!"
- Martin Sheen***

**"INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A
THREAT TO JUSTICE ANYWHERE"**
-Martin Luther King Jr.

A STOLEN LIFE

What is the value of life? What is the cost of freedom? With every passing day, Jon-Adrian Velazquez awaits a decision that will determine these answers for him and his family.

Jon-Adrian is a human being, just like you. He is the victim of a flawed justice system that continues to turn a "blind eye" toward every piece of evidence that proves his innocence. In essence, his life has been stolen without a proper cause.

After all, how can condemning an innocent man serve justice for the death of another innocent man? Simply put, this equation only adds up to additional destruction of innocent lives. The end doesn't justify the means. Why is it so easy to convict an innocent man, but so hard to release him despite available evidence that clearly and convincingly proves his "actual innocence"?

So, the questions remain: What is the value of life? What is the cost of freedom? For the spirited activist and esteemed Hollywood star, Martin Sheen, the answers are clear: life is precious, and freedom is priceless. Driven by these principles and values, Sheen has dedicated his time and offered unyielding support to this noble cause ... the cause of obtaining justice and restoring the stolen life of Jon-Adrian.

After reading lengthy legal briefs and voluminous trial transcripts, Sheen met with Jon-Adrian personally, and later urged the Manhattan District Attorney's Office to reinvestigate the case. Along with Sheen's involvement, Dan Slepian, an NBC Dateline Producer, produced "CONVICTION", a documentary based on his ten year investigation. It is an eye-opening report that highlights an innocent man's uphill battle for freedom.

However, for some reason or other, justice is still being delayed; and therefore, justice is actually being denied. Nevertheless, the struggle for freedom must continue, and the push to restore the stolen life of Jon-Adrian Velazquez must go on.

"Freedom is only a word until you have been close to losing it."

-Mohandas K. Gandhi

Character Speaks Volumes

"It is not the duration of your life, but the donation you make to life that really counts."

- Herbert Harris

As Jon-Adrian continues to witness the struggles of society from the confines of his cell, he contemplates innovative ways to reach between the cracks of oppression to ensure that the impact of his spirit could be felt beyond the boundaries that contain him.

Some of his accomplishments while incarcerated include:

- Achieving an Associate Degree in Behavioral Science, and actively pursuing his Bachelors;
- Effective participation in progressive offender organizations and departmental programs geared toward social enrichment;
- Playing an integral role in the development and advancement of the Forgotten Voices Committee, which has established a progressive network between conscious prisoners, elected officials, and multiple community clergy leaders of different denominations.
- Advocating for the rights and privileges of offenders and their families in the capacity of a liaison (ILC) between the population and facility administration.
- [2013-2012] Acquiring facility approval at Sing Sing to establish a Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund to help off-set some of the damages incurred by the residents of New York.
- [2012-2011] Proposing a Gun-Buy-Back program under the banner of Forgotten Voices, that successfully raised \$7,400 to address the rampant violence in inner-city communities.
- [2011-2007] Under the capacity of ILC in conjunction with JayCees, funding an annual project which provides the children of incarcerated men and women with school supplies in an effort to lessen the hardship on the families who take care of them.

• [2010-2007] Under the capacity of the ILC, contributing \$1,500 annually to assist the Osbourne Association, in purchasing Christmas gifts for the children of incarcerated men in Sing Sing.

• [2007] Under the capacity of ILC in conjunction with JayCees, the Latinos Unidos Organization, and the men of Sing Sing, raising an approximate total of \$5,600 for an organization called Freeport Pride Inc., who were assisting a young female victim of a drive-by shooting, named Amory Sepulveda, in obtaining a customized van due to her paralysis.

• [2004] Under the capacity of Project Build Inc. in Green Haven raising over \$3,000 for Hour Children, an organization devoted toward the shelter and care for the children of incarcerated mothers until their return to society.

"Sad is the continual postponement of life."
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

According to Ralph Waldo Emerson, "...the greatest homage we can pay to truth is to use it."

Mr. Velazquez is suffering unnecessarily based solely upon eyewitnesses who have now expressed doubts and recanted. Moreover, there is no physical or circumstantial evidence linking him to this crime. What is more, there is a strong indication that someone else committed this crime who fits all of the initial accounts made by the witnesses. The truth has been unveiled, yet authorities refuse to take proper action.

Every day Mr. Velazquez spends incarcerated is a miscarriage of justice, which grossly undermines any true concept of American Justice because: Jon-Adrian Velazquez is an INNOCENT MAN.

To become an advocate or simply voice your support, Jon-Adrian Velazquez could be reached directly at:

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