

Date: June 12, 2023

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To: Virginia General Assembly
1000 Bank Street, Richmond, Virginia. 23219
Re: Pardon Petition Form Filed On April 12, 2023.

I reached out to News Reporters and Attorneys.

To no avail, it is disheartening to know that trustees of Virginia [who are aware of the atrocities in my case,] they betray us by evading the Constitution(s), of the United States and Virginia. pursuant to there sworn oath taken prior to entering into their Official Public Duties.

Let's get to the [WHO the WHAT the WHEN and the WHY,] because

shame that is felt by many, is a direct result of what Linda D. Curtis and John F. Haugh did to the Innocent they have prosecuted, they have fiduciary duties to correct.

So, I request that [You The Delegates of Virginia General Assembly,] review the accompanying emails of April 19, 2023 and May 2, 2023.

I sincerely hope that you all refuse to turn a blind eye to this shameful matter.

Sincerely Yours.

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(4) Patrick Hope (5) Robert Bell (6) Leslie Adams (7) Terry Kilgore
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HAMPTON VIRGINIA, Man who was convicted more than 21 years ago in a Hampton Breaking and Entering / Attempt Robbery, two counts of Use of a Firearm While Committing the above mentioned offense's.

Is asking for a pardon at the Governor of Virginia discretion.

Johnnie L. Wood, now 59 years old, was convicted in 2001 of being one of three men who the Commonwealth's Attorney John F. Haugh said " broke into a home address as 227 Rip Rap Road to rob the residence name Teddy Thompson inside the dwelling place".

Wood was the only one of three original indicted defendant's to be put to trial by jury, Carlos Johnson and Floyd Howard indictment's were nolle prosequi, while Wood is now serving a 44 year sentence hand down by an improper instructed jury as to the [breaking and entering] with the [use of a firearm] indictment's.

A forced entry is a necessary component of a breaking and entering with the use of a firearm indictment's.

Wood was deprived of three key witnesses.

1. Kenneth Haynesworth, A man who was in the building at the time of the incident, who informed Attorney Romeo Lumaban, that he would testify that the men in the building willingly let the men in.

2. Attorney Romeo Lumaban, said that another trial witness has since recanted part of her testimony, she Tamika N. Cooper at the trial said she was not promised anything in return for testifying. But Lumaban said she now says police promised her that she would not be prosecuted if she cooperated at Wood's trial.

At the trial, Tamika Cooper testified about driving the three men, including Wood, to the building.

Commonwealth's Attorney John F. Haugh, had a burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt, which means that facts proven must, by virtue of their probative force, establish guilt.

See, Reasonable doubt.

"We're not asking for a free pass," Attorney Lumaban said after the hearing. "We just want to correct an injustice and allow him to have a fair trial... with all the evidence."

The Commonwealth's Attorney's Office contends that Hampton Circuit Court -- where the original trial was held and Attorney Lumaban, motion was filed -- no longer has jurisdiction over the case.

Also, prosecutors say the evidence would still not lead to a different trial outcome.

Wood say this was a jury trial, the Fifth -- the Sixth -- and Fourteenth Amendment would apply, and require Due process of law, also, an impartial jury because fact questions are for the jury, unless the issues are presented at a

bench trial.

So the evidence would not be an issue for the prosecutors to decide as to the outcome of a jury trial.

As stated above the Commonwealth's Attorney has the burden of proof beyond a reasonable doubt. That is the standard.

But Attorney John F. Haugh said Wood "confessed to his involvement in this crime," and the jury heard [evidence] about how the three men discussed ways to gain entry into the home. Mr. Haugh said "None of that was a secret." Wood declares that there were secrets that rise to a level of misconduct. Rule 3.3(a)(4) of the Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct declares that "[a] lawyer shall not knowingly... offer evidence that the lawyer knows to be false."

3. Such as the fact that Teddy Thompson's mother was a material witness not summoned as to some agreements regarding her son on 1-12-2000. He was a juvenile, known for robbing. See: February 13 - 2001 transcript of Wood case #00 -- 953 at page 132 and page 133. Thompson was being held for Robbery and Firearm charges.

He was convicted of those charges at the time of Wood's trial; this information was not revealed to Wood's trial jury. This information was relevant to Wood's defense as to Thompson's credibility as a Commonwealth's witness.

4. May 26 - 2015, Wood received a letter from the Office of the City Attorney in Hampton, Virginia, signed by Vanessa T. Valdejuli, City Attorney.

This letter revealed relevant information that was not revealed to Wood July at trial; here is that information.

A search of the City of Hampton's database, along with further research with the City Assessor's Office and the Department of Public Works on the matter, has revealed that there is no property in the City of Hampton to which the address of 227 Rip Rap Road was assigned in the year 2000.

I trust this answers your question on this matter. Should you need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Vanessa T. Valdejuli, City Attorney (757-727-6127).

www.Hampton.gov.

5. In the year 2000, the Supreme Court of Virginia ruled in *Fishback v. Commonwealth*, making it a requirement to instruct jurors that parole is abolished in Virginia.

Wood July was not instructed as to parole being abolished, and Wood's trial was in 2001, that would make Wood post-*Fishback*.

I sincerely hope someone takes the time to thoroughly investigate my case and report this to the Governor of Virginia.

I thank you for the opportunity and your time.

Sincerely Yours, Johnnie L. Wood #1014755

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#2. Gaylene Kanoyton

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Date: May 2, 2023

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To: Former Commonwealth's Attorneys of the City of Hampton, Virginia, Linda D. Curtis and John F. Haugh.

On April 19, 2023, I emailed the attached email to Peter Dujardin at the Daily Press, as well as others who are identified in the attached email.

I recently did the "Pardon Petition For Conditional Pardon."

It doesn't detail as specifically as the attached email of April 19, 2023, because I'm requesting assistance as to this unfair trial by jury.

Think about this, the door was being represented as being a back door, but every person that was there, and to come there use that exact same door to enter that [SHED / STRUCTURE.]

So the facts weren't being represented correctly to the Judge or Jury.

Let's take a look at John F. Haugh and Tamika Cooper on direct examination.

Page 51, lines 8--11.

--Q-- You have the petty larceny conviction and the possession of cocaine and the grand larceny, right?

--A-- Yes.

Page 60, lines 4--13.

--Q-- And when he came back into the car, whom did he give the shotguns to?

--A-- He gave one to Johnnie Wood and Carlos held the other one.

--Q-- Did they do anything with the shotguns?

--A-- He was loading them up.

Page 71, lines 6--10.

--Q-- And you testified that as [you were then driving] back over to Rip Rap Road, both Johnnie Wood is loading ammunition into the one gun?

--A-- Uh --huh.

Tamika Cooper, presuppose knowledge of the presence of the firearms, is evidence sufficient to sustain a conviction under Va.Code, 18. 2--308. 2 (A).

Knowingly and intentionally transporting firearms, after having been convicted of a felony.

This is why she recanted part of her testimony.

See: attachment email of April 19, 2023 for more information.

Thank you in advance for your time and attention in this matter.

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