

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." (Edmund Burke)

JAILED FOR FALSE ACCUSATION: Louise Brazil and daughter Ada accused Shaun Howes of raping and impregnating Ada. Two years on, Ada (now 18) has admitted attempting to pervert the course of justice and was sentenced to three months at a young offender institution. Her mother, who denied the charge, was convicted and jailed for six months. Prosecutor Graeme Ford told the Court the Brazils framed Shaun for revenge after he dumped Ada and left their home in March 2004. Incredibly, when the baby was born, Mrs Brazil even sent Shaun a congratulations card and photographs of the baby. Jailing them, Judge Guy Anthony told them their wicked deceit could have ended with an innocent man being sent to jail and could deter genuine rape victims from coming forward. He said: "It may have led to the prosecution, conviction and imprisonment of a young man who did nothing wrong at all."

HEARSAY EVIDENCE is evidence offered by a witness, about what someone else has *told* him or her. Hearsay evidence is admissible *only* as to 'what was said, and by whom', and not as to the *truth* of what was said. Mary saying "John told me he committed the crime" is admissible as evidence that John *said* this, but *not* as evidence that John actually *committed* the crime. An accuser stating "John did this to me!" (even if they are lying!) is admissible 'evidence' and is NOT 'hearsay'.

JEMMA TAGGART, FOUND GUILTY of making a false declaration tending to pervert the course of justice, has been told by Judge Cedric Joseph to "be under no illusion about the probability of a custodial sentence." She had falsely accused Ben Guerin of raping her after a birthday party. Trial witnesses said Taggart had been kissing Mr Guerin and she told them she had been on top of him and had had an orgasm with him. Judge Joseph said: "I can well imagine what it must have been like for Mr Guerin to have that allegation hanging over him."

COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER ON-LINE. SAFARI has now set up a free support chat board on the Internet at: http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/falsely_accused_any_crime where users can communicate with each other.

DANIEL SCHWAN JAILED FOR 18 MONTHS for perverting the course of justice. Schwan falsely accused Jeffrey Slominski of raping him in November 2004; he maintained that stance throughout the trial. However, new evidence from an eyewitness and a taxi firm, which took Mr Slominski home to Sheering that evening, proved that the two men could not have been in the same place at the time. Det Sgt Richard Thomson said "I still haven't got to the bottom of why Daniel Schwan actually did it. We have to remember that if it hadn't been such an implausible story, it may well have been that Mr Slominski could have stood in the dock for raping him, with the chance that he could have been found guilty - we shouldn't overlook that."

LIE DETECTOR EVIDENCE. Many SAFARI members have suggested that they should be allowed to take lie detector tests themselves and that their accusers should then be forced to do the same. Currently such tests are inadmissible as evidence in court, although we understand that expert *interpretation* of the test results is not inadmissible. Of course, lie detector tests are not 100% accurate. In any event one cannot force an accuser to take the test, but having an expert witness for the Defence, providing evidence strongly suggestive that the Defendant is telling the truth – together with the information that the accuser was offered the test but *declined* to take it (if that was the case) could be useful. As has so often been shown, in spite of what is supposed to be the case in the British Legal System, with false allegations of a sexual nature in particular you DO have to prove your innocence. *Defence Barristers please take note* – and consider using lie-detection expert witnesses!

ACHIEVING PAROLE – ADVICE from a successful applicant: You wouldn't go to trial without legal representation so don't go to parole without it. Prepare at least a year in advance. Get everything in writing. Send any correspondence to probation VIA your solicitor (especially if answering questions about you, your case, pre-trial circumstances, conviction and sentencing, or your intentions on release) - include in this ALL social, domestic, business/work, or pleasure intentions. Ensure everything is completely truthful.

TO HELP ACHIEVE NECESSARY CHANGES to protect the innocent from our legal system, write to your MP (the address is "<Your MP's name>, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA") outlining some or all of the changes you wish to see. Get into regular correspondence with your MP until success is achieved. Hundreds of people lobbying MPs are hard to ignore. The Home Office is in such turmoil at the moment that the Government will want to fix problems quickly before the public learn of them ... and the Opposition will want to make the public aware of the problems as soon as possible! A suggested 'initial letter' was published on the back of last month's SAFARI newsletter.

Thanks to Terry McCarthy (Parole Board for England and Wales) for statistics of those who achieved release on Parole whilst maintaining innocence.			
Figures for month of April 2006			
<i>Non-lifers:</i>			
All offences	16	of 45	35.6%
Rape	1	of 12	8.3%
Indecent Assault	4	of 7	57.1%
Other Sex	2	of 5	40.0%
Violence	1	of 1	100.0%
Property	1	of 4	25.0%
Drugs	4	of 8	50.0%
Others	3	of 8	37.5%
Total Sex	7	of 24	29.2%
Total Non Sex	9	of 21	42.9%
<i>Lifers only</i>	0	of 1	0.0%
[No lifers were recommended for open conditions]			

Donations very much appreciated at:

a/c name: 'SAFARI', Sort Code: 30-92-02, a/c No.: 2702360



Or hit the button on the website!

Contact us by eMail at SAFARI_Editor@yahoo.co.uk

(We can accept no responsibility for errors in this newsletter as we only share information received)