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# IN JUSTICE: Slim's Chance

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I began filming a documentary on gang intervention a few years ago. One of the guys in our early filming was arrested and eventually convicted of 1<sup>st</sup> degree murder. He fired his attorney to seek a mistrial and he was given \$60 for phone calls to make from jail and obtain what he needed. Of course, he could not gain access, and so sentencing commenced. He was sentenced to 125 years + life and has now been in prison for 5 years. Thinking I was picking up the court transcripts he signed over to me for eventual use, I put the box in my office closet and only recently learned that I had the complete Murder Book and record of pre-trial evidence that was not submitted.

As someone known to be doing a documentary (albeit on hold now) I became a receptacle for information shared that continually raised questions for me of Slim's guilt. As the final pieces came into place for me, I felt something was not right and decided to help him in whatever way I could to obtain access to the evidence he needed that could potentially exonerate him. As the story continued, I became aware of the challenges of navigating the legal justice system for someone with a prior criminal offense. While the laws say, 'Innocent until proven guilty', the belief that once someone is a criminal they can't or won't change, prevails. Slim now has a few weeks left for his final appeal. We have just located a habeas attorney who will help him get this done. Things are in process and the attorney is on board for us to track the investigation and process with him.

The 'Slim's Chance' story is told by a host, who follows the journey with evidence presented in the same manner it came to me. Host is putting together the puzzle pieces, exploring the broader issues behind them and going inside justice system to find out the truth, with a lot discovered along the way. There is inside access, court transcripts, recorded prison calls, exclusive footage and story rights.