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Dear []:

The Arizona Innocence Project is writing to you because we would like to offer you information about our services.

At the Arizona Innocence Project, we want to ensure that everyone who is wrongfully convicted of a crime is able to access the resources they need to fight that conviction, if they wish to do so.

We are a student-staffed legal assistance clinic located at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff. We investigate cases in which an individual who is factually innocent has been wrongfully convicted. When someone serving time in an Arizona prison contacts us, we conduct an initial investigation of their case. If our investigation shows strong evidence of actual innocence and a reasonable likelihood of success for proving it in court, we consider the case for further investigation and even court proceedings. Our services will cost you nothing. We will *never* accept money for our work on your case.

We have noticed over the years that very few American Indians have asked for our help. We would like to serve more members of Navajo, Tohono O'odham, Hopi, Zuni, White Mountain Apache, San Carlos Apache, Fort McDowell Yavapai, Fort Mojave Indian, Havasupai, Hualapai, and Pascua Yaqui Nations, as well as any other American Indians living in Arizona. We hope that, if you are innocent of the crime you were convicted of, you will think about whether you would like our assistance to prove your innocence. We also hope that you will share this information if you know of anyone else, no matter who they are, who might benefit from our help.

If you would like us to look into your case, please truthfully fill out the questionnaire we have enclosed and mail it back to us. This questionnaire will help us begin to understand your story. If you choose to fill out the questionnaire, we will evaluate your case. This does not mean that we are promising legal advice or representation. We will have to assess your case to decide whether we can provide assistance, based on the particular facts and our limited resources.

We look forward to hearing from you if you have any questions or if you would like for us to evaluate your case. Please know that anything you send to us is confidential.

Sincerely,
The Arizona Innocence Project