

North Carolina
Robeson County

AFFIDAVIT

I, Christine Bullard, Affiant, do hereby certify that I was a juror in the case of North Carolina vs. Harold Godwin in Robeson County in February 1995.

During the trial, Mr. Godwin was brought into court with handcuffs and leg shackles. Every day during the trial when the jurors were sent to the jury room, we discussed our thoughts about his guilt or innocence according to what had happened that day in court. Ms. Jacobs, the alternate juror, said she knew the families of both Mr. and Mrs. Godwin and that she knew Harold Godwin to be guilty. She told the jurors that this was the fourth trial and that Harold Godwin had been running from the law for years. She said in one of his trials he had paid off jurors. She said she knew for a fact he was guilty and the judge told her there could be no more mistrials in this case. She said the judge would keep us locked up in the jury room until we all voted guilty. The foreman of the jury also said that was true. Many other jurors asked Ms. Jacobs questions about her knowledge of the case.

On Thursday, February 16, 1995, during lunch recess, I ate lunch in Dot's Sandwich Shop beside the courthouse. Attorney Arnold Locklear came in and sat at the tables beside me. He asked how the trial was going. I said O.K. He told me he hoped it would turn out right this time. He said if I did the right thing and helped find Godwin guilty, he would help me get my children back in a pending custody suit concerning my two children.

On Friday I convinced two jurors to change their vote to guilty. On Saturday I voted guilty also.

This is the 21st day of May 1995.

Christine Bullard

Sworn and subscribed before me this 21st day of May 1995.

Leggy M. Shaw

