Conviction overturned, S. Phila. man seeks bail

The '74 verdict in the murder case was thrown out in 1997.

One of them — Dorothy War — became the prosecutor’s only witness at Baker’s 1974 trial. War, whose prose was poetic and vivid, identified Baker as a drug user and called for Dr. Thomas Seidman’s exchange for telling the jury that Baker went through Glib-ber’s records for each of his physical evidence. Baker met one of the cases.

The case took far too far. The 1974 conviction of Muriel Dwyer, a lay minister from Pennswood, was overturned. The state Supreme Court ruled that Dwyer’s conviction was invalid.

In August 1977, the state Supreme Court overturned Baker’s conviction, citing a “reasonable basis” for the verdict and remanding the case for a new trial.

The key witness against Baker was Muriel Dwyer, who had identified Baker in court. Dwyer had been a close friend of the victim and had testified that Baker had confessed to the murder.

Baker had been convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. He filed an appeal in 1975, challenging the admissibility of Dwyer’s testimony.

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Eddie Baker, who was 81 when he died in 1993, has been exonerated in the 1974 murder of Dorothy War. War was a drug user and was known to have been involved in the death of a victim of a drug-related crime.

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Eddie Baker will be 81 in November 1993, says that a judge can't stick his neck if a suspect faces the death penalty or life without parole. However, a judge can't refuse to take a chance on a suspect's case.

Baker said that for several reasons, the 1997 law was "clearly unapplicable to Baker's case." He has said the case was "overturned in 1997" — cited that "Baker is definitely exonerated to bail." He said that "the three men who had served any time for the murder, only Baker is still imprisoned."

Eddie Baker was interviewed by Philadelphia Inquirer photographer and interviewed by Washington Post reporter, who now share a household because they were shot after his release from prison.

Baker said he hoped to become a prison reformer. He said, "I have always been a prison reformer, and I believe in prison reform."

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