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'INNOCENT' MAN RELEASED FROM PRISON - AGAIN - AFTER 42 YEARS

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"He was ecstatic," Bryant's lawyer Paul Casteleiro told The Post. "He was crying." He said his client "probably would have been paroled by now if he admitted he did it, which he would not."

But it's not over yet.

Patrice O'Shaughnessy, a spokeswoman for the Bronx DA, said, "we will be appealing."

<http://nypost.com/2017/08/04/innocent-man-released-from-prison-again-after-42-years/>



JUDGE TOSSES CONVICTION IN 2004 MURDER OUTSIDE GENTILLY GAS STATION

By Emily Lane, July 14, 2017

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Michael Shannon was released on bail July 28, 2017

"A smiling Michael Shannon turned and faced the court gallery to hug one of his attorneys Friday (July 14) after a New Orleans judge granted him a new trial, ruling that Shannon's previous defense attorney in the years-old murder case was ineffective.

Shannon, 56, who wore an orange jumpsuit, white Tennis shoes and black-framed glasses that rested on his gray-haired head, has been at Louisiana State Petitionary at Angola for nearly eight years after his 2011 conviction in the 2004 murder of Ralph Cole Jr.

Shannon's attorneys Herb Larson and Paul Casteleiro argued the state's case was based on testimony from a single eye witness, though a half-dozen other witnesses were present. They said Shannon's previous attorney failed to call to the stand or interview the remaining witnesses, who told police the shooter was 6-feet or taller, according to Larson and Casteleiro."

http://www.nola.com/crime/index.ssf/2017/07/judge_tosses_conviction_in_200.html



PASSAIC PROSECUTOR'S REFUSAL TO REINVESTIGATE THIS MURDER IS MALPRACTICE | Editorial . August 8, 2017

"Why is DNA relevant when it supports the state's theory, and irrelevant when it doesn't?"

http://www.nj.com/opinion/index.ssf/2017/08/passaic_prosecutors_refusal_to_reinvestigate_this.html#incart_river_index

2 MEN CONFESSED TO MURDER. THEIR DNA TELLS ANOTHER STORY.

By S.P. Sullivan, NJ Advance Media for NJ.com, August 4, 2017

"They looked at that hat at the time (of the murder) and thought, if they could get a DNA hit, that would be very significant -- as long as it was Lee, or Kelley, or somebody," said Centurion Ministries lawyer Paul Casteleiro, who represents Lee, in an interview at his Princeton office.

"Why, now, is it not important?"

http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2017/08/two_nj_men_confessed_to_murder_can_dna_set_them_fr.html

