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## *We Need Your Support*

We know wrongful convictions happen. We know the system makes mistakes. Our courts routinely wrongfully convict men and women because of police perjury, forensic fraud, or simply because witnesses were mistaken in what they saw.

We know wrongful convictions happen, but for many years, these shameful events existed simply as anecdotes and outliers. No one kept count. No one connected the dots.

The National Registry of Exonerations filled that gap. We began in 2012 with the simple but profound goals of creating a living archive of wrongful convictions and telling the stories of the men and women who survived them.

This year, we published a groundbreaking report on government misconduct and its role in wrongful convictions. We also lifted the curtain on our Groups Registry, a new archive with the potential to expand our understanding of the corrosive impact of systemic misconduct as a contributor to wrongful convictions.

With criminal justice in its rightful place among our nation's most pressing issues, the Registry's trusted research is more important than ever. Our work is driving the conversations – nationally and locally – about the challenges and solutions on the road ahead.

**We need your support to continue this vital work.**

The Registry is a unique research project. Its editors are faculty members at the University of California, Irvine, the University of Michigan, and Michigan State University. We are grateful for the support we receive from these schools. **But most of our funding comes**

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In these times, perhaps more than ever, research matters. Facts matter. The truth matters. That is why the Registry is so important.

**Won't you please help us? Your contributions make a difference.**

Wrongful convictions happen. How do we know? We know because the National Registry of Exonerations keeps count.

**Donate today to help us keep count.**

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