

# Rodney Reed

### INNOCENT ON TEXAS DEATH ROW

Rodney Reed is scheduled for execution on November 20, 2019

Here is what you need to know and what YOU can do:

#### **FAST FACTS**



- > Rodney has been on death row since 1998, convicted of killing Bastrop woman Stacey Stites in 1996.
- > A mountain of evidence proves **Rodney's innocence** and points to Jimmy Fennell, Stacey's fiancé, as the perpetrator of this crime.
- > Rodney Reed, a black man, was found guilty of murdering a white woman by an all white jury denying him the right of a jury of his peers.
- > The courts have **failed to grant Rodney's request for DNA testing** on several items at the crime scenes, including the belt that Stacey was strangled with.

#### **FAULTY FORENSICS**



- > The prosecution's **only forensic evidence** linking Rodney to the crime was semen taken from Stacey's body. Defense attorneys at trial failed to call witnesses to testify to a **known sexual relationship** between Rodney and Stacey, which accounted for the DNA.
- > Rodney's defense **failed to challenge an expert witness who falsely testified** that the semen could not be more than 24 hours old.
- > 3 forensic experts, including Michael Baden, have submitted affidavits that the original time of death is inaccurate, which makes it impossible for Rodney to have murdered Stacey.
- > The original medical examiner, Robert Bayardo has recanted his trial testimony.
- > Two beer cans found at crime scene **tested positive for the DNA of at least one police officer.**This test was not reported to the defense at the time of the trial.

#### THE EVIDENCE POINTS TO JIMMY FENNELL:

- > Was a police officer and **served a near 10-year sentence** for the rape of a woman under his custody while he was on duty.
- > Failed a polygraph test on the question "Did you strangle Stacey Stites?"
- > Sold the truck Stacey drove the night of the murder a few days later.
- > Closed a bank account he shared with Stacey just before her body was found.
- > Gave conflicting statements about where he was the night before Stacey's body was found.
- > AND Police did not search Fennell and Stacey's apartment.

#FaceTheForensics



## WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Sign the petition
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- Clemency letter to Governor Abbott
- Share this information widely!

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