

Texas v. Lydell Grant

Quick turnaround helps exonerate innocent man

“Had the results of the post-conviction DNA testing and the comparison of the DNA profile resulting in the CODIS match information been available during the trial of the instant offense, it is reasonably probable that he would not have been convicted.”

Mike Ware, Executive Director of The Innocence Project of Texas



"This case is without a doubt historic. Thanks to Mark Perlin and Cybergenetics, the Innocence Project of Texas was able to fully utilize the TrueAllele software and the CODIS database in a way that has never been done. We were able to develop overwhelming evidence of Lydell Grant's complete innocence," said Mike Ware, Executive Director of the Innocence Project of Texas

References

[Cybergenetics Article](#)
[Texas Monthly Article](#)

Crime On December 10, 2010 in Harris County, Texas a man was stabbed to death.

Evidence A knife was found in Lydell Grant's vehicle, and was swabbed and sent for DNA analysis. Fingernail clippings were taken from the victim during the autopsy and submitted for analysis as well.

DNA The Houston Police Department Crime Lab was unable to develop a profile from the DNA mixture on the swabs.

Match Grant could not prove his innocence. He was convicted of murder, and ordered to serve a life sentence.

TrueAllele In March of 2019, the DNA data was reanalyzed using TrueAllele. Within a week, the match statistic that was produced excluded Grant as the killer. Using a TrueAllele genotype from the same DNA data, a CODIS search was performed and found a match to the true killer.

Cybergenetics Dr. Perlin and the company worked closely with Grant's defense team to get the case overturned.

Outcome Lydell Grant was released on bond on November 26, 2019.

Ask for a free TrueAllele screening of DNA data from your crime case.