

I strongly endorse Kevin McClain for all your investigative needs. As an attorney with the Center on Wrongful Convictions of Youth at Northwestern University School of Law, the cases we re-investigate are often very old, and the challenges are unique. We struggle to find investigators who can meet these challenges. Kevin, however, has exceeded my expectations: In one case that was 35 years old, he worked diligently and enthusiastically in absorbing mountains of paperwork in short order to learn the nuances of a complicated case. He found and interviewed long lost witnesses, obtaining crucial new evidence that led to a positive result for our client. And he did it all while maintaining the utmost professionalism and great concerns for his and our ethical responsibilities. This combination is hard to find.

Rebecca Stephens, a practicing attorney and my former Northwestern Law student who worked closely with Kevin on a case explains:

Kevin and I worked together to interview a potentially hostile witness and try to generate an affidavit in support of a client's petition for post-conviction relief. From the beginning, Kevin immersed himself in the case and thoroughly reviewed the record to prepare for the interview. We met several times to determine a strategy, and he was a true collaborator; Kevin brought years of experience and ideas with him, but also asked for my feedback and took my thoughts into consideration. I immediately felt that we were working as a team. Once we met with the witness, it became clear that Kevin is one of the best at what he does – he instantly developed a rapport with the witness and got her to open up about what she remembered from over 35 years ago. Ultimately, the interview was a huge success; we achieved our goals and served our client, and this was because of Kevin's professionalism and expertise. I would definitely work with Kevin again and would also recommend him to anyone else who needs investigative services.

Beyond his case work, Kevin came and presented to our students, giving a masters class in criminal investigations. Even as someone who has been doing this work for a decade, I personally learned a tremendous amount from his detailed and professional presentation.

- Joshua A. Tepfer, Attorney
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