

# **EXHIBIT 17**

Order Granting Certificate of Innocence

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
CRIMINAL DIVISION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS )

vs. )

Ben Baker

Defendant/Petitioner

No.: 05 CR 898205CR8982

## ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF INNOCENCE

This cause comes before the Court on the Defendant/Petitioner's Petition for Certificate of Innocence pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-702. The Court being fully advised finds by a preponderance of evidence that:

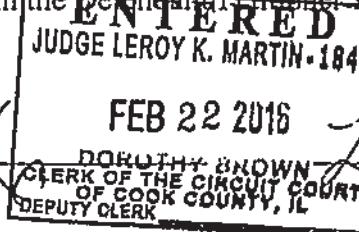
1. The Defendant/Petitioner was convicted of one or more than one felonies by the State of Illinois in the County of Cook and was subsequently sentenced to a term of imprisonment, and has served all or any part of the sentence;
2.  The Defendant/Petitioner's judgment or conviction was reversed or vacated, and the indictment or information dismissed or,  a new trial was ordered and either s/he was found not guilty at the new trial or s/he was not retried and the indictment and information is dismissed; or  the statute or application thereof on which the indictment or information was based violated the Constitution of the United States or the State of Illinois;
3. The Defendant/Petitioner's indictment or information was dismissed or s/he was acquitted, and a Petition was filed within 2 years of the dismissal of the indictment or information or acquittal;
4.  The Defendant/Petitioner is innocent of the offenses charged in the indictment or information or  Defendant/Petitioner's acts or omissions charged in the indictment or information did not constitute a felony or misdemeanor against the State;
5. The Defendant/Petitioner did not his/her own conduct voluntarily cause or bring about his/her conviction.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED as follows:

1. That the Petition for Certificate of Innocence is GRANTED.
2. That the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall transmit a copy of the Certificate of Innocence to the Clerk of the Court of Claims, together with the Defendant/Petitioner's current address as indicated on the Petition.

ENTERED:

Dated:

2-22-16

Judge

Judge's No.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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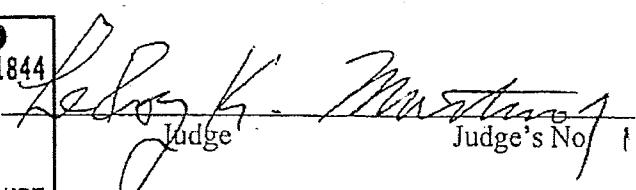
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Dated: 4/5/16

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JUDGE LEROY K. MARTIN 1844	
APR 05 2016	
DOROTHY BROWN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, IL DEPUTY CLERK	

  
Leroy K. Martin  
Judge  
Judge's No. 1

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS