



## Peaceful Greetings NEIGHBORS,

The upcoming June 9 Democratic Party Primary for the Fulton County District Attorney is very important to our community. Incumbent District Attorney Paul Howard has taken part in a new trend in the troubling history of the U.S. criminal justice system by creating a Conviction Integrity Unit in the Fulton Co.DA's office. Its job is to take a fresh look at cases involving serious miscarriages of justice and to right those wrongs. Former Mayor of Atlanta, Ambassador Andrew Young addressed this newly formed unit, pleading with them to re-look at what he termed as the "very troubling case" of Imam Jamil AlAmin, known in his youth as H. Rap Brown. He said, "Its time to rejudge."

- March 16, 2000: in the West End Atlanta community, Fulton County Sheriff Deputy Rickey Kinchen is shot and later died. A hysterical media campaign accusing Imam Jamil al-Amin erupts.
- March 17, 2000: Mr. James Santos aka Otis Jackson, confessed the crime to his parole officer.** His confession, though also submitted in writing, was ignored by District Attorney Paul Howard
- March 2002: Imam Jamil's trial starts. During trial, FBI meet with judge without presence of either defense or prosecution. Imam Jamil is convicted & sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole... plus thirty-five years. Paul Howard even called for the death penalty.
- Mr. Santos, wounded during that incident, physically fits the 5'8" description given by both Deputies Kinchen and English, who both say they shot and wounded him. Imam Jamil is 6'5" and was unwounded when brought into custody by the Lowndes County Sheriff's Department.
- 2019: James Santos gives televised confession, under oath, in an unrelated case. After years of suppression, the video is found. To view that confession: <http://whathappened2rap.com>.

\* Imam Jamil's community leadership was largely responsible for cleaning up a West End neighborhood of prostitution and drugs. His service, spanning sixty years, including the leadership of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee on the back roads of Alabama and Mississippi, put his own life on the line to ensure that our community may now safely enjoy basic civil and human rights to civic engagement, to run for office, vote for candidates of our own, to register to vote. These human rights were fought for at a time when engaging in the democratic process for us was at the risk of life, limb and property; at a time when the KuKluxKlan and other white vigilantes (who appear to be re-surfacing today) operated with impunity, with the full cooperation and participation of law enforcement.

The Conviction Integrity Unit, should they recommend the retrial of Imam Jamil alAmin would represent a significant step in restoring a sense of Justice for Imam Jamil alAmin, his family and the families of Deputy Kinchen and English. We believe these facts deserve consideration in the current election. We ask that you sign the petition for a new trial at the link below, and consider this case on June 9<sup>th</sup>, as your vote helps determine who will run the County's chief prosecutor.

**PLEASE SIGN THE RETRIAL PETITION FOR IMAM JAMIL AL-AMIN (f/k/a H. Rap Brown)**

**FREE IMAM JAMIL.**

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