



PROFILE OF  
LARRY IRVIN

Full Name	LARRY IRVIN
Prisoner Number	248894
D.O.B.	December 14, 1976
Crime(s) Convicted Of	First Degree Murder
Date of Crime	November 3, 1993
Conviction Date	April 4, 1996
Age at Time Crime was Committed	16-years-old
Age at Time Entered Prison	19-years-old

Brief description of offense and prisoner's role in it.

I knew of the crime but I was not the one who committed the crime.

What difficulties have you experienced as a juvenile living among adult prisoners?

When I first came to prison the adult prisoners would try and talk down to me and try to control me and tried to make me think that everything they said was right.

How have your difficulties experienced as a juvenile living among adult prisoners negatively affected you?

It made it very hard for me to trust people.

How have you resolved these difficulties or dealt with them?

I hold open discussion about various matters amongst peers during yard periods and talk about positive changes that we need to make in order to prepare ourselves for reentering society. We talk about job seeking skills, small businesses, and politics.

How has a life of incarceration changed you?

In some ways I feel along but in other ways I feel like a better person because I appreciate life more because it's now gone.

Have you remained in continual contact with family or friends since becoming incarcerated?

I'm in contact with some of my family and I only have two friends left.

What would you do if granted a second chance and released?

I would go back to school to further my education and learn a trade and try to open up my own business one day.

Accomplishments/Achievements since you've been incarcerated.

Since I've been incarcerated I've earned my G.E.D., I have a certificate in Small Business, a certificate in Michigan Drivers License Refresher course, and a certificate in Conflict Resolution and I'm also a member of the National Lifers of America.

Make any statement you'd like (100 words or less, please).

IF THERE IS NO STRUGGLE,  
THERE IS NO PROGRESS

IF YOU FIND A PATH WITH NO OBSTACLES,  
IT PROBABLY DOESN'T LEAD ANYWHERE

IF YOU HAVE NO CONFIDENCE IN SELF, YOU ARE TWICE DEFEATED  
IN THE RACE OF LIFE, WITH CONFIDENCE YOU HAVE WON  
EVEN BEFORE YOU HAVE STARTED.