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Statement re: today's Court of Criminal Appeals ruling in the *State v. John Nolley*:

"We are glad, but not surprised, by the Court of Criminal Appeals' (CCA) decision to uphold the trial court's finding and our recommendations on this case.

"The very issues the CCA references regarding the use of jailhouse informant testimony in John Nolley's case were the basis for our office to implement the jailhouse informant reform policy that went on to become state law in Texas. The Nolley case is a clear example of how, by addressing individual cases, conviction integrity units can institute real reform and best practices for future cases.

"The collaborative partnership on this case between our office, the Bedford Police Department and the Innocence Project demonstrates a single-minded commitment to what should be at the heart of every conviction integrity unit: discovering the truth."

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