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John was given a 2013 Presidential Citation by the Texas State Bar in recognition of his seven year *pro bono* fight in state and federal courts for DNA testing in order to exonerate Michael Morton, an innocent man who served 25 years in prison. The resultant landmark Michael Morton Act requires prosecutors to provide defense counsel free access to investigation information.