STATE OF WISCONSIN: CIRCUIT COURT: MANITOWOC COUNTY

| STATE OF WISCONSIN, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
| V. |) | Case No. 05-CF-381 |
| v. |) | Honorable Judge Angela Sutkiewicz, |
| STEVEN A. AVERY, |) | Judge Presiding |
| Defendant. |) | |

AFFIDAVIT OF CONRAD E. BAETZ

Now comes your affiant, Conrad E. Baetz, and under oath hereby states as follows:

- I am of legal majority and can truthfully and competently testify to the matters contained herein based upon my personal knowledge. The factual statements herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I am of sound mind and I have not ingested any alcohol that would impair my memory of the facts stated in this affidavit.
- 2. I was hired by Steven Avery's trial attorneys, Dean Strang and Jerome Buting, as the sole investigator for Mr. Avery.
- 3. I have reviewed the police report of the November 6, 2005, interview of Bryan Dassey where he said that Bobby Dassey saw Teresa Halbach leave the Avery property on October 31, 2005. (Attached and incorporated as Exhibit A to this affidavit is a copy of said police report). I was unaware of this report. I never tried to interview Bryan Dassey about Bobby Dassey's alleged statement. I was never instructed by trial defense counsel Buting and Strang to interview Bryan Dassey. Bobby Dassey was the key prosecution witness at Steven Avery's trial who testified that he saw Ms. Halbach walk towards Mr.



Avery's trailer after taking photographs of his mother Barb Janda's van. (Excerpts from Bobby Dassey's trial testimony are attached as Group Exhibit B to this affidavit, 2/14/05 Trial Transcript, pp. 38-39). Bobby also testified that when he left the Avery salvage yard, Ms. Halbach's vehicle was still on the property. (Group Exhibit B, 2/14/05 Trial Transcript, p. 40; 2/15/05 Trial Transcript, p. 37). If the trial defense counsel could have impeached Bobby Dassey with Bryan Dassey's testimony that Bobby admitted he saw Ms. Halbach leave the Avery salvage yard, it would have undermined the State's entire case against Mr. Avery and there would have been a reasonable probability of him being found not guilty.

4. Nothing has been promised or given to me in exchange for this affidavit.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT

Conrad E. Baetz

State of Wisconsin County of Manitowoc

Subscribed and sworn before me this 18th day of ()ctober, 2017.

Notary Public

My commission expires;