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The Justice Coalition began in 1995 because one man's priorities were changed. Ted Hires was the average businessman working 60 to 80 hours a week and looking out for himself until that day when he and his staff were held at gunpoint and robbed. Being a victim of crime, Ted found the criminal justice system worked harder for the criminal than the victim. As a result of Ted's experience, he formed a (501C3) non-profit organization, the Justice Coalition, and is making an effort to change the Fourth Judicial court system for the better.

Since 1995, the Justice Coalition has been fighting crime every step of the way. Fugitives captured are through a partnership with local media and law enforcement agencies.

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- To be available for innocent victims of violent crime
- To educate the general public on criminal justice issues
- To be pro-active in the fight against crime

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couldn't believe it really happened. One of the people you feel like you can't live without and now he's gone."

The murderers shot Coulter five times in his head, face and neck and left him to die alone in his car. Someone found him early in the morning when they noticed his car was stopped, but the engine was still running. Paul has offered a \$20,000 reward for information leading to the apprehension of his brother's murderer.

Paul struggles to understand why someone would take another's life in that manner. "Killing is such a selfish act," he says, "especially if the person hasn't done anything to you. I can understand if you're trying to defend yourself and that's what you have to do, that can be reasonable, but if you just shoot somebody and keep on moving, you just don't have a heart."

His brother was planning to get married in the near future, and he had two little girls who were the light of his life. "They were his joy, his heart. They brought light to any dark situation that he might have had. When they were there, his face lit up. He was on track – like a train going in the right

direction, but derailed by someone who thinks life is not important."

Adding insult to the pain the family was already experiencing was an article in the Indianapolis *Star*, erroneously stating that police records indicated Coulter had been arrested several times in the past two years and found guilty of cocaine possession in 2004. The reporter found this information about a man with the same exact name as Paul's brother, but he didn't bother to check the man's date of birth, which was 20 years prior to Coulter's. Paul spoke with the reporter who apologized profusely and promised a retraction, but Paul says the retraction was a "slap in the face" – they never accepted responsibility for the blatant misinformation they printed.

Meanwhile, Paul's life goes on as he anticipates the coming season, playing to the best of his ability a game he truly loves. He has a heart for children who are hurting and enjoys lending his celebrity to causes that help raise money for kids who are now where he has been.

"I've lived in foster homes," he says. "I sympathize. I know

from experience what they're going through. I can relate to them better than someone who's just learned about life through books and theories. There's nothing like experience.

"Dealing with victims and being a victim yourself, somewhere down the line, with help from God, you're a better person. Whatever it is – abuse, alcohol, drugs – they see you and where you've come, and they can say, 'If you can do it, I can do it.'"

And Paul continues to "do it" – on the football field and off. He strives to be the best, to make a difference in his world.

Knowing the pain and trauma victims go through when loved ones are murdered, he joins his voice with that of the Justice Coalition in its efforts to help those victims – and to help prevent others from going through what his family has suffered. He is happy to align himself with an organization that is really doing something to help citizens in the community, not just talking about it.

Paul Spicer believes the Justice Coalition's motto: Together we can, together we will make a difference.



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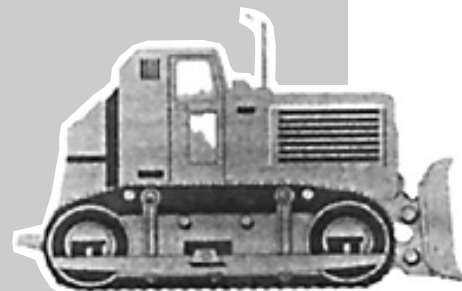
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