

Greetings to all from Texas,

Its nothing new what has occurred in Oklahoma, it is not the first botched execution either. In fact David Atwood - founder of Texas coalition to abolish the deathpenalty just listed a long laundry list of botched executions in Texas. it is a fact the malfunctioning lethal injection process has occurred several times in decades. (see Kpft prison show archives). kpft.org it has just come to light in the national arena as the chemical issue has been pushed by the folks who watch the use of this draconian method of punishment, for errors. All eyes are watching indeed.

it is symbolic of the veil being lifted - but moreover it is a perfect example of what these states will do if anything malfunctions...the curtain is drawn. Hiding the truth from the public.

We still have only ½ of the information about what occurred, ode to this poor man who suffered. His fate would of been worse serving life. I speak from experience after 16 years siting here... death is sweet release from this slow torchure. Life or Lwop is worse (than laying down to go to sleep). But having a massive heart attack induced by unlicenced unregulated untrained people who administer the injection, is very unprofesional to say the least. inhumane - with all the false appearances of a sterel medical procedure these executioners had nothing in place to undo or reverse their mistake.

A human being squirmed tensing against the restraints in agony as his veins burnt with fire inside. he spasumed it was cruel & unusual punishment and it is uncontravertable. His 8th amendment rights pursuant to the U.S. Constitution were violated... as he suffered in pain for 35 plus minutes. but it was shrouded in secracy as the curtain was drawn.

Its time to lift the curtain - let the whole process be transparent. Nothing legal occurred in Oklahoma - this is why Oklahoma is not executing people for the time being, as is the case with Ohio. How many times would a plane have to crash before we grounded it - hauling its use ? what value we put on one life vs the life of a condemned man. Jesus christ was a condemned man. Are we the same civilised society that yelled crusify HIM!

Its time for change, as a advanced civilised society with technology to keep people secure and the dangerous away from society. the use of the death penalty is wrong, it reflects poorly on USA. We are in line with China, iran and others who brag about its use. Leaders of the free world - we hail to be... but civilised and with the times ? trend seters ? I would hope america can step up to the plate and show the world its lead, by doing the right thing.

Fear mongering, hate revenge retribution and the call for the death of us people on the row - solves nothing. Respect for the views of the victims, the death penlaty fosters a lingering pain cycle that hinders healing. to settle the sentence - life or lwop and inable people to heal, begin to move forward. I know I wish this for the people involved in my case. it is easy to go on asumptions - alot of people are misinformed about the death penalty.

an eye for an eye leaves the whole world blind...

In struggle for abolition

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