

U.S. Court Stays Texas Execution Over Prisoner's Mental Disability



Washington, May 14 (RHC)-- A U.S. federal appeals court has stayed the execution of a Texas death row prisoner who was set to die Tuesday night.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ruled Robert James Campbell is protected from the death penalty because he's mentally disabled.

Campbell's execution was set to be the nation's first since the botched killing of an Oklahoma death row prisoner last month. Defense attorneys had initially tried to stay the execution over the secrecy of the lethal injection drug.

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