

URGENT ACTION

STATE OF TEXAS CARRIES OUT EXECUTION

Robert Ladd, 57 years old, was put to death in Texas on 29 January after the courts rejected final appeals arguing that he had intellectual disability and that his execution would thereby be unconstitutional.

Robert Charles Ladd was sentenced to death in 1997 for the murder of Vicki Ann Garner in September 1996.

This was the sixth execution in 2015 in the USA, two of which have been carried out in Texas. It was the 1,400th execution nationwide since the US Supreme Court upheld revised capital laws in 1976, allowing judicial killing to resume. Texas accounts for 520 of these executions.

No further action by the UA Network is requested. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.

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Gender m/f: m

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