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Further information on UA 01/07 (AMR 51/002/2007, 2 January 2007) – Death penalty/Legal concern

USA (Texas) Ronald Curtis Chambers (m), black, aged 51

On 22 January 2007, the US Supreme Court granted a stay of execution to Ronald Chambers who was due to be put to death in Texas on 25 January for a murder committed during a robbery in 1975. He has been in custody for the past 31 years, almost all of it on death row.

No reason was given for the stay. It is thought to have been granted pending its rulings in three other Texas death penalty cases which the Supreme Court is currently considering (see original UA).

No further action is requested at present. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.
