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USA (Tennessee) Robert Glen Coe, aged 43, white

Robert Coe has been scheduled once again to become the first person executed in Tennessee since 1960. On 11 April the Tennessee Supreme Court set 19 April 2000 as his execution date after a panel of the federal Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the state had given him a fair hearing on the claim that he is too mentally ill to be executed (see previous updates).

Robert Coe was sentenced to death for the abduction, rape and murder of eight-year-old Cary Ann Medlin in 1979. He has a long history of mental illness.

Please continue appeals, in your own words, urging that Tennessee not resume executions.

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