

Please support legislation creating an Objective Death Penalty Study Commission with an Execution Moratorium during the study

WHY? Questions are being raised concerning the death penalty system in Missouri.

We've got Questions. We Need Answers.

Question #2

Are innocent people at risk to be convicted, sentenced to death and executed?

- While nearly 1200 individuals were executed nationally since the death penalty was re-instituted, 139 people - convicted and sentenced to death - have been exonerated since 1973, including these three men in Missouri:
- Joe Amrine, under a death sentence for 17 years, was released after a public outcry following a documentary about his case and a Missouri Supreme Court decision that found there was convincing evidence of his innocence.¹
- Clarence Dexter's conviction of murdering his wife was finally overturned when it was revealed that the prosecution had misrepresented the evidence.²
- Eric Clemmons, sentenced to death, finally received a second trial, in which he was found not guilty.³
- Three other people convicted of murder in Missouri and given alternative sentences have also been exonerated the past decade: Ellen Reasonover (1999), Darryl Burton (2008) and Josh Kezer (2009).

Reasonable concerns exist that innocent persons may have been executed.

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Because the Ultimate Punishment Deserves Study

Moratorium Now! is a campaign of almost 400 Missouri organizations, houses of worship and businesses calling for a moratorium on executions while Missouri's death penalty is studied.

For more information and citations, please visit www.MoratoriumNow.net

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