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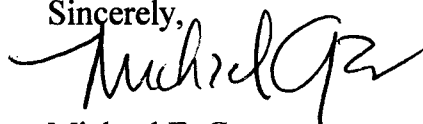
Re: No. 06-1278 Michael Anthony Taylor v. Larry Crawford, et al.

Dear Mr. Hawke:

Enclosed please find a copy of an order reversing and vacating the district court's order of January 19, 2006. The order directs the Chief Judge of Western District of Missouri to assign the case to another judge. The order also directs the judge to whom the case is assigned to conduct an immediate hearing and to issue a dispositive order by noon on Wednesday, February 1, 2006.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Michael E. Gans
Clerk of Court

enc. (Order)
cc: Mr. John Simon
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Mr. Troy Cahill

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Michael Anthony Taylor,

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Appellee,

* Appeal from the United States
* District Court for the
* Western District of Missouri
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v.

Larry Crawford, Director Missouri
Department of Corrections, James D.
Purkett, Superintendent, Eastern
Reception Diagnostic & Correction
Center and John Does, 1-666
(Anonymous Executioners),

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Appellants.

FILED: January, 29, 2006

Before RILEY, BEAM AND HANSEN, Circuit Judges

ORDER

This matter comes before the court on an appeal by the State Defendants from the District Court's order of January 19, 2006, granting a preliminary injunction or stay order prohibiting Taylor's execution on February 1, 2006. Defendants have filed a motion for vacation of the order.

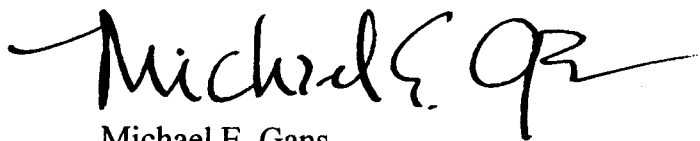
It is hereby ordered that the district court's order of January 19, 2006 is reversed and vacated.

It is further ordered that the case is remanded to the Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri with directions to reassign the case to another judge for an immediate hearing. The judge to whom the case is assigned shall complete the hearing and issue an order on the issues presented no later than 12:00 p.m

(Noon) on Wednesday, February 1, 2006.

Taylor's execution is stayed until 11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 3, 2006.

Order Entered at the Direction of Court.



Michael E. Gans

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