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Governor Musgrove Denies Hansen Clemency

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today announced he was denying the clemency petition of Tracy Alan Hansen, convicted in the slaying of Mississippi Highway Patrolman Bruce Ladner in 1987. Hansen is scheduled to be executed by lethal injection Wednesday at 6:00pm.

The following is the statement given by Musgrove:

“I have made the decision to deny the clemency petition of Tracy Alan Hansen.

“Mr. Hansen shot Bruce Ladner, a Mississippi Highway Patrolman working to protect the public safety, in cold blood and left him to die. Mr. Hansen received a fair trial. Numerous courts and judges reviewed his case and affirmed the guilty verdict. The sentence of death is just – and it is justified. The time has now come for this sentence to be carried out.

“I ask for the prayers of all Mississippians to be with the Ladner family and the family of Tracy Alan Hansen. May God have mercy on his soul.”

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