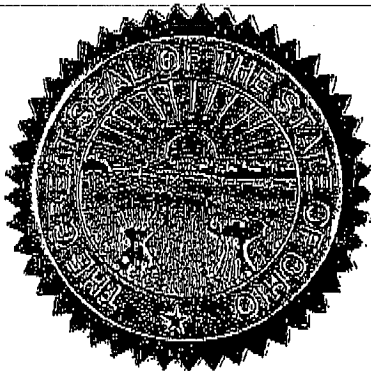




TED STRICKLAND
GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

Warrant of Reprieve

1. John Spirko, Jr., is currently in the custody of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, has been sentenced to death, and is scheduled to be executed on September 18, 2007.
2. On July 24, 2007, attorneys for John Spirko, Jr wrote to request a reprieve to allow additional time to complete DNA analysis of certain evidence related to Mr. Spirko's case. That same day, the Ohio Attorney General wrote to inform me that he does not object to this reprieve request and believes that granting it would be in the interests of justice.
3. Accordingly, I direct that Mr. Spirko's sentence of death be reprieved until January 24, 2008.
4. Mr. Spirko should remain incarcerated in the custody of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and the Department should carry out his sentence on January 24, 2008 at a time established on that day by the Department unless a further reprieve or clemency is granted before then.
5. I signed this Warrant of Reprieve on July 30, 2007, in Columbus, Ohio.



Ted Strickland
Ted Strickland, Governor