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**Attorney General Steve Marshall Statement on Stay of Execution for Death Row
Inmate Christopher Lee Price**

(MONTGOMERY) – Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall issued the following statement following the granting of a stay of execution for death row inmate Christopher Lee Price.

“Tonight, in the middle of National Crime Victims’ Rights Week, the family of Pastor Bill Lynn was deprived of justice. They were, in effect, re-victimized by a killer trying to evade his just punishment. This 11th-hour stay for death row inmate Christopher Price will do nothing to serve the ends of justice. Indeed, it has inflicted the opposite – injustice, in the form of justice delayed.

“On December 22, 1991, Bill Lynn was wrapping Christmas gifts for his grandchildren when he was ambushed outside his home, slashed and stabbed with a sword dozens of times. His killer has dodged his death sentence for the better part of three decades by employing much the same strategy he has pursued tonight – desperately clinging to legal maneuverings to avoid facing the consequences of his heinous crime.

“I can promise you this: Alabama will never forget victims. Justice will be had for Pastor Lynn and his family. As for Christopher Price, his day of justice will come.”

Thursday evening, Judge Kristi Dubose, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama, granted Price’s second petition for a stay, which was later upheld on appeal by the U.S. 11th Circuit Court of Appeals. Time ran out before the State’s appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court could be considered late Thursday night.

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