

Supreme Court of Alabama

RONALD PATRICK SWINEY,

Petitioner,

vs

STATE OF ALABAMA,

Respondent

Case No: 104-073

AMICUS CURIAE FOR

RONALD PATRICK SWINEY

RONALD PATRICK SWINEY v STATE OF ALABAMA

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INTRODUCTION

The undersigned, Glenn M Larkin MD writes this amicus curiae brief out of concern that justice is being denied to Ronald Patrick Swiney, and urges the court to read what follows seriously.

I have corresponded with Patrick Swiney and his wife Sherry for the last seven years, have reviewed the autopsy protocols of Ronald Pate and Betty Swiney, the trial transcript, the crime scene reports such as they are, and have written both an affidavit and a formal medical-legal report in my capacity as a forensic pathologist.

My interest is to try to correct what I perceive is a gross miscarriage of justice. I therefore ask the court to read what follows critically. I also ask the court to excuse any lapse in form or format, as I am not a lawyer.

It is my opinion as a forensic pathologist to a reasonable medical and scientific certainty after reading the material sent to me that the requested testing of the clothing allegedly worn by Mr Swiney at the time of his arrest will yield results that will tend to exculpate Mr Swiney. My CV is attached I thank the court for its kind indulgence.

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