

Peace & Justice Report

For the week of January 8, 2018

National Execution Alert for January 2018

18—Texas

Anthony Shore is scheduled for execution for the murders of **Diana Rebollar, Laurie Lee Tremblay, Dana Sanchez, and Maria Del Carmen Estrada**

25—Alabama

Vernon Madison is scheduled for execution for the murder of **Julius Schulte**.

30—Texas

William Rayford is scheduled for execution for the murder of **Carol Lynn Thomas Hall**.

Contact the Governors:

Alabama: Governor Kay Ivey
Alabama State Capitol, 600 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama 36130
Email: <http://governor.alabama.gov/contact>

Texas: Governor Greg Abbott
Office of the Governor, PO Box 12428, Austin, TX 78711-2428
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EXECUTIONS SINCE ...	
...RESUMPTION OF DEATH PENALTY IN 1977	1,465
...IN 2018	0
...IN 2017	23

Prayer at the Time of Execution

Loving God, Jesus our brother, do not let hatred be our response to those who commit violent crimes. Let our prayer be heard for those who kill, for the victims of violence and for their families. Help us work tirelessly for the abolition of the death penalty and renew our society in its very heart so that violence will be no more. Amen.

Working to Abolish the Death Penalty in Kansas

Did you know that Kansas is one of 33 states which have the death penalty?

The death penalty has been abolished and reinstated three times, however there have been no executions at the state level since 1965. There are 10 people on death row at the present time.

Our Sisters and Associates, along with many faith communities, have worked hard for abolition of the death penalty in Kansas. In 2010 the Kansas Senate was just one vote short of passing a bill to replace the death penalty with life without the possibility of parole for the crime of aggravated murder.

Abolition efforts continue to move forward in Kansas. Learn more about those working to abolish the death penalty and how you can get involved:

Kansas Catholic Conference: <http://www.kscathconf.org/>

Kansas Coalition Against the Death Penalty: <http://ksabolition.org/>