

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE

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STATE OF TENNESSEE v. BILLY RAY IRICK

**Criminal Court for Knox County
No. 24527**

No. M1987-00131-SC-DPE-DD

ORDER

On December 11, 2013, this Court reset the execution of Billy Ray Irick to October 7, 2014. On September 25, 2014, this Court vacated its order of December 11, 2013, due to an appeal of a declaratory judgment action challenging the constitutionality of Tennessee’s lethal injection protocol. The order of September 25, 2014, states that, upon final disposition of the appeal in the declaratory judgment action, this Court shall exercise its authority to set a new date of execution. *See* Tenn. Sup. Ct. R. 12.4(E) (“Where the date set by the Court for execution has passed by reason of a stay or reprieve, this Court shall sua sponte set a new execution date when the stay or reprieve is lifted or dissolved, and the State shall not be required to file a new motion to set an execution date.”). In the declaratory judgment action, this Court ultimately affirmed the trial court’s dismissal of the claims. *West v. Schofield*, 519 S.W.3d 550 (Tenn. 2017). On January 11, 2018, the State filed a notice that the United States Supreme Court had denied certiorari in the two petitions seeking review of this Court’s decision. *See Stephen Michael West, et al. v. Tony Parker, et al.*, No. 17-6024 (U.S. Nov. 27, 2017); *Abu Ali Abdur’Rahman, et al. v. Tony Parker, et al.*, No. 17-6068 (U.S. Jan. 8, 2018).

Accordingly, under the provisions of Rule 12.4(E), it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by this Court that the Warden of the Riverbend Maximum Security Institution, or his designee, shall execute the sentence of death as provided by law on the 9th day of August, 2018, unless otherwise ordered by this Court or other appropriate authority. Counsel for Mr. Irick shall provide a copy of any order staying execution of this order to the Office of the Clerk of the Appellate Court in Nashville. The Clerk shall expeditiously furnish a copy of any order of stay to the Warden of the Riverbend Maximum Security Institution.

PER CURIAM