



For Planning Purposes
September 1, 2010

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MEDIA ACCESS FOR SCHEDULED EXECUTION

The execution of condemned inmate Albert Greenwood Brown, Jr., convicted in Riverside County of one count of first-degree murder with the special circumstance of murder committed during the course of rape, has been set by court order in Riverside County for September 29, 2010 at San Quentin State Prison.

Media Credentials

Pursuant to the California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 15 § 3349.2.3 (e)(1) and (e)(A), a 10-day filing period has been established from September 7, 2010 to September 16, 2010 in which media representatives may request media credentials to witness and/or cover the scheduled execution at San Quentin State Prison.

Media credentials will be issued only to media representatives as defined by the California Code of Regulations Title 15 § 3261.5 (a)(1): "News media representative means a journalist who works for, or is under contract to, a newspaper, magazine, wire service, book publisher, or radio or television program or station or who, through press passes issued by a governmental or police agency, or through similar convincing means, can demonstrate that he or she is a bona fide journalist engaged in the gathering of information for distribution to the public."

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's Office of Public and Employee Communications is responsible for all media credentials.

For media credentials, mail a written request signed by the news department manager on company letterhead and a completed Media Credentials Application to:

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Office of Public and Employee Communications
1515 S Street, Room 113-South
P.O. Box 942883
Sacramento, CA 94283-0001
attn: Assistant Secretary

The Media Credentials Application is to be used to submit the name(s) and position(s) of the proposed representatives, their dates of birth, driver's license or other official government identification numbers and expiration date as identified under the CCR Title 15 § 3173 (c) (1) through (c) (6) to process security clearances, which are required for each individual requesting access to San Quentin State Prison. The Department also requests that applicants provide their social security numbers to expedite processing of security clearances.

Requests are due by the close of business on September 16, 2010. No request received after the close of business on the tenth and final day will be considered. Telephone requests, faxes and e-mails will NOT be accepted. Media witness requests must be for the scheduled execution and will not be kept on file.

The security clearance process will begin after the 10-day filing period is closed on September 16, 2010.

Media Witnesses

Seventeen media witnesses will be selected from requests received after the 10-day filing period is closed.

All media witnesses must agree to release information simultaneously to all other news agencies at a press conference held after the execution in the Media Center.

Approximately 10 days prior to the scheduled execution, the public information officer at San Quentin State Prison will notify all media representatives selected to be witnesses either by telephone or in writing. Non-witness media representatives selected to cover the scheduled execution at San Quentin will be notified as well.

No witnesses, including media witnesses, will be permitted to bring cell phones, smart phones, tape recorders, recording devices, electronic devices, drawing implements or similar equipment into the lethal injection facility; however, media witnesses will be provided with pencils and notepads.

Media Center

Up to 125 news media representatives may be provided access to the Media Center at San Quentin State Prison to attend news briefings and a news conference after the execution. To accommodate as many media firms as possible, each news media organization applying will be limited to one (1) representative. Firms selected to send a news reporter to witness the scheduled execution will be allowed a separate representative at the Media Center.

The Media Center at San Quentin State Prison has 60-amp electrical service with a limited number of outlets. Media orders for private telephone hookups must be

arranged with AT&T. AT&T will coordinate the actual installation with San Quentin State Prison.

Media representatives approved to cover the scheduled execution in the Media Center will be permitted to have laptop computers, cell phones, smart phones, cameras, and recording devices. Media personnel should also bring their own food and bottled water.

Pool Arrangements

In the event that interest exceeds space, pool arrangements may be necessary for audio/visual feeds and still photographers from inside the Media Center. The pool will be limited to two (2) television camera operators, two (2) still photographers and one (1) audio engineer. The Radio-Television News Directors Association of Northern California (RTNDA) and the Radio-Television News Association (RTNA), Southern California, arrange the pool.

Live Broadcast

Parking on the grounds of San Quentin State Prison is limited. Only broadcast microwave and satellite vehicles and their support personnel providing live feeds will be permitted access to the parking lot adjacent to the Media Center. Television and radio stations are limited to one (1) satellite or microwave vehicle. Television technicians or microwave broadcast vehicles will be permitted three (3) support personnel: an engineer, a camera operator, and a producer. Radio broadcast vehicles will be allowed two (2) support personnel: an engineer and a producer. Media broadcast vehicles will be admitted to institution grounds on a space-available basis with prior written approval.

The Media Credentials Application is to be used to submit the size and description of the broadcast vehicle.

Selected media representatives arriving to the prison in their personal vehicles will enter the prison through the West Gate and be instructed where to park. They will then be transported to the Media Center in a shuttle.

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