

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS TORTURE INQUIRY AND RELIEF COMMISSION

In re:

Claim of Willie Moses Adkins

TIRC No. 2011.029-A

SUMMARY DISMISSAL

Pursuant to section 40(a) of the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Act (TIRC Act), 775 ILCS 40/40(a), the Commission hereby summarily dismisses this Claim for the reasons that follow.

1. On approximately June 2, 2011, Mr. Willie Moses Adkins submitted a claim of torture to the Commission alleging that on June 7, 1984, at Area 2, Jon Burge and others beat him about the head and shoulders and placed a pistol in his mouth in an effort to elicit a confession.
2. On September 18, 2011, Mr. Adkins passed away in prison. Commission staff has verified Mr. Adkins' passing with the Stateville Correctional Center Records Department.
3. Section 40(a) of the TIRC Act states that "[t]he Commission shall not consider a claim of torture if the convicted person is deceased" and that "[t]he Commission may informally screen and dismiss a case summarily at its discretion."

Therefore, the Commission has determined that it is without jurisdiction to consider Mr. Adkins' claim and dismisses it.

Dated: _____

6/18/14


Cheryl Starks

Chair

Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission

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