

Mistakes happen

REGARDING "The death penalty" (Page B11, Jan. 2), sure, mistakes happen in all things.

However, the death penalty should remain in effect. In fact, we should bring back public hangings to show those so inclined to commit murder that hanging is what can happen to them should they kill. All hangings should be done no later than one week after a conviction, not 10 to 12 years after the fact.

Your editorial shows just how left-leaning your paper is. Pray, if you believe in God, that no one rapes and murders a wife, daughter, mother or other loved one of yours. I can assure you that you would change your mind about the death penalty then.

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