Legal Update on Mumia Abu-Jamal

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From: Robert R. Bryan, lead counsel for Mumia Abu-Jamal. Subject: Petition for Rehearing and Rehearing En Banc, United States

Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, filed on behalf of Mumia Abu-Jamal, death row, Pennsylvania United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Philadelphia.

On June 27, 2008, I submitted on behalf of my client, Mumia Abu-Jamal, a Petition for Rehearing and Rehearing En Banc in the U.S.

Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Yesterday it was deemed "filed" by the court following rulings on related motions. The focus of the Petition is the issue of racism in jury selection. If unsuccessful, we will proceed to the United States Supreme Court.

Below are two news articles concerning the Petition. Today's Philadelphia Inquirer piece gives an overview of this newest

development, while that by Dave Lindorff is a brilliant analysis of these case developments and its politics. A copy of the actual

Petition for Rehearing and Rehearing En Banc, which is before the federal court, is attached.

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Conclusion Even though the federal court granted a new jury trial on the question of the death penalty, we want a complete reversal of the conviction. I will not rest until my client is free.

Yours very truly,

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The following articles are informative on Abu-Jamal's case.

Abu-Jamal seeks new trial in Phila. officer's slaying By Emilie Lounsberry; Inquirer Staff Writer

http://www.philly.com/inquirer/local/pa/20080708_Abu-Jamal_seeks_new_trial_in_Phila_officer_s_slaying.html

Mumia Abu-Jamal's Long-Shot Appeal for Reversal of Last Year's Disastrous Third Circuit Ruling By *Dave Lindorff

http://www.opednews.com/articles/Mumia-Abu-Jamal-s-Long-Sho-by-Dave-Lindorff-080707-97.html

*Author's Website: http://www.thiscantbehappening.net

Author's Bio: Dave Lindorff, a columnist for Counterpunch, is author of several recent books ("This Can"t Be Happening! Resisting the

Disintegration of American Democracy" and "Killing Time: An Investigation into the Death Penalty Case of Mumia Abu-Jamal"). His

latest book, coauthored with Barbara Olshanshky, is "The Case for Impeachment: The Legal Argument for Removing President George W. Bush from Office (St. Martin's Press, May 2006). His writing is available at tp://www.thiscantbehappening.net

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