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Each component of evidence and testimony in the John Allen Muhammad case could be easily fabricated; John Allen Muhammad may have been trying to act like he was the sniper, as a veteran in an attempt to decrease his trauma, to protect Washington D.C. In October 2002, he could have seen a few sniping deaths, told Lee Boyd Malvo to act like they were involved, put a gun in his car, and put his prints on a ransom note. He may have intended to draw attention away from the actual sniper to decrease the real sniper's attempt to achieve attention. Evidence can be fabricated and manufactured; the death penalty is problematic, destroys evidence, and destroys life. John Allen Muhammad had a wife, children and other family who some day could have talked to him and understood what he was doing. These issues are part of the reason the death penalty is not being used in Europe right now.

Fingerprint evidence is unreliable; John Muhammad may have just written ransom notes and nothing else. I called or faxed Governor Tim Dean, US Attorney Virginia, Washington D.C. US Attorney, Solicitor General, US Attorney General, Congress, US Attorney here, FBI, Supreme Court, NASA as satellites were involved, innocence project

I was unable to persuade any of these parties to stay the execution. I mentioned that we would have advertised concern with saving/preserving life. Muhammad might have had a PTSD symptom where he decreased trauma by admitting some involvement; he may not have been involved in all sniper deaths. A stay would have preserved evidence in a criminal investigation. There was no need to execute so quickly. George Ryan/Europe appropriately were concerned with taking the life of an innocent person. The Supreme Court should be able to accept faxes/emails in cases of last minute information that may save a life.

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This pardon request was not processed well on Tuesday morning. Hundreds made similar requests.

> I would like to request the pardon of
John Allen Muhammad because he probably suffers from war trauma related to his past conflict and U.S. veteran's experience and also because of the issue of destruction of evidence in a criminal investigation. I was involved in the apprehension of the D. C. sniper in 2002 as I asked Montgomery County, FBI, President Bush, Chicago Police to use satellites to stop repeat gun crime. "He who saves one life saves the world in time" from a Jewish statement.

Pardon power is a more recent statute in the US Constitution.

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