

ORDER DIRECTING THE SHERIFF OF GUILFORD COUNTY
TO PROVIDE RONNIE LEE KIMBLE'S ATTORNEYS WITH SPECIFIC
INFORMATION ABOUT INMATE ASSOCIATIONS OF RONNIE LEE KIMBLE

THIS MATTER came on for hearing upon the printed calendar for the March 2, 1998 term of Superior Court, the Honorable Judge William Freeman presiding.

On March 12, 1998 the defendant was brought before the court and his attorneys, David Lloyd and John B. Hatfield, Jr., were present as was Assistant District Attorney R. E. Panosh.

After considering the defendant's request that the court set a firm trial date, the court agreed to consider the defendant's motion filed on January 23, 1998 for an order directing the Sheriff of Guilford County to provide the defendant's counsel with certain jail records.

The court studied the written motion, considered the arguments of counsel, reviewed the court file and made the following findings of fact:

- 1. The defendant has shown in his motion of January 23, 1998, and by the other facts put before the court, that there is a particularized need for specific jail records of all inmate associations of the defendant during all times that he has been an inmate in the Guilford County jail since his arrest for murder.
- 2. Mr. Hatfield's letter to Major Nesbitt of December 31, 1997 poses a reasonable request for information indispensable to the defense and should be complied with by the Guilford County Sheriff's Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Sheriff of Guilford County provide the defendant and his attorneys and duly appointed investigator, Mike Ingold, with records and information of the cells and/or locations in which Ronnie Lee Kimble has been housed during his incarceration and the identities of all other inmates with whom Ronnie Lee Kimble may have come in contact.

This the day of March, 1998.

William Freeman

Superior Court Judge