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For Immediate Release: Dallas County Inmate Convicted of Capital Murder of Police Officer Executed

(DALLAS) – Texas death row inmate, 43-year-old Wesley Ruiz, has been put to death by lethal injection by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Huntsville, Texas.

Wesley Ruiz shot and killed 33-year-old Senior Corporal Mark Nix of the Dallas Police Department in 2007 after a high-speed chase with police, having evaded capture during another high-speed chase the week prior. Mr. Ruiz was on probation for a first-degree possession with intent to deliver drug case and had a probation violation warrant pending at the time of the capital murder. He was convicted and sentenced to death by a Dallas County jury in July of 2008.

“My heart goes out to the family of Senior Corporal Nix. We continue to pray for them and hope this end brings them some peace in light of their years of heartbreak and grief,” said Dallas County Criminal District Attorney John Creuzot.