

No. 22-1227

To Justice Gorsuch, 10<sup>th</sup> circuit

Supreme Court - U.S.  
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Aaron Jay Pierce - Petitioner

v.s.

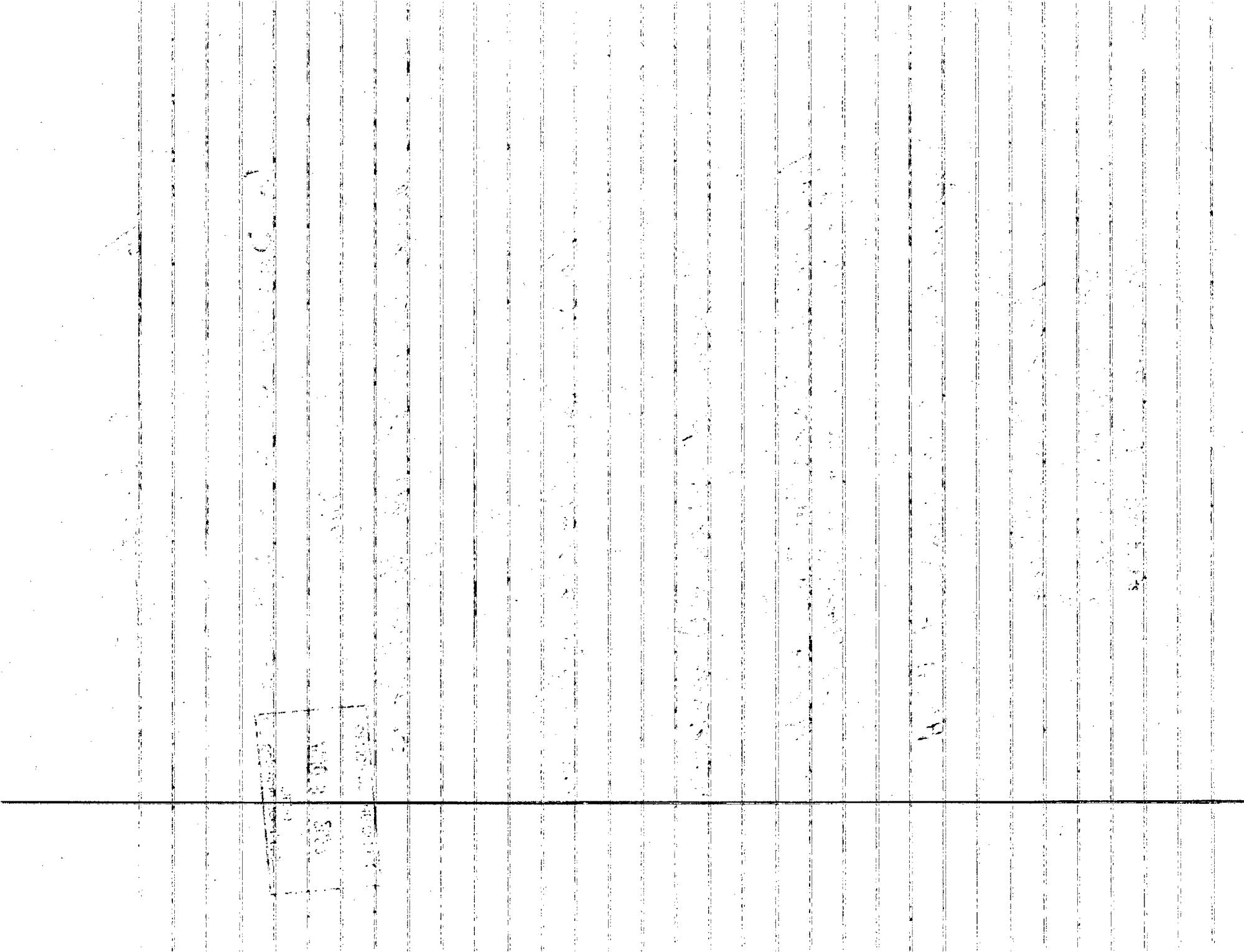
State of UTAH - Respondent(s)

Application to Extend The Time to file a  
Petition for a Writ of Certiorari

Supreme Court of The State of UTAH

Aaron Jay Pierce

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## Why an Extension of Time is justified

Although I was given a 90 day window to file a petition for a Writ of Certiorari, I am currently an inmate confined in an institution. I have a very limited number of resources. I was wrongfully convicted of imperfect self-defense manslaughter, and sentenced to an indeterminate number of 1 to 15 years in prison.

The State of Utah prison system has sent me back to a county jail, Pergatory Correctional Facility, through their IPP (Inmate Placement Program). This county jail has such strict rules, and such a terrible environment, that I have been prevented from getting the resources I need in order to complete my petition for a Writ of Certiorari through extraordinary and unavoidable circumstances caused by this facilities rules and staff.

First, I am proceeding pro se; I have not been able to find counsel to represent me. Because of this, I've had to rely on this facilities inadequately stocked library. I have been able to check out only 1 law book called "Criminal Law Handbook" by Nolo, during these last 90 days. The jail library simply does not have the resources I need to complete my Writ for Certiorari.

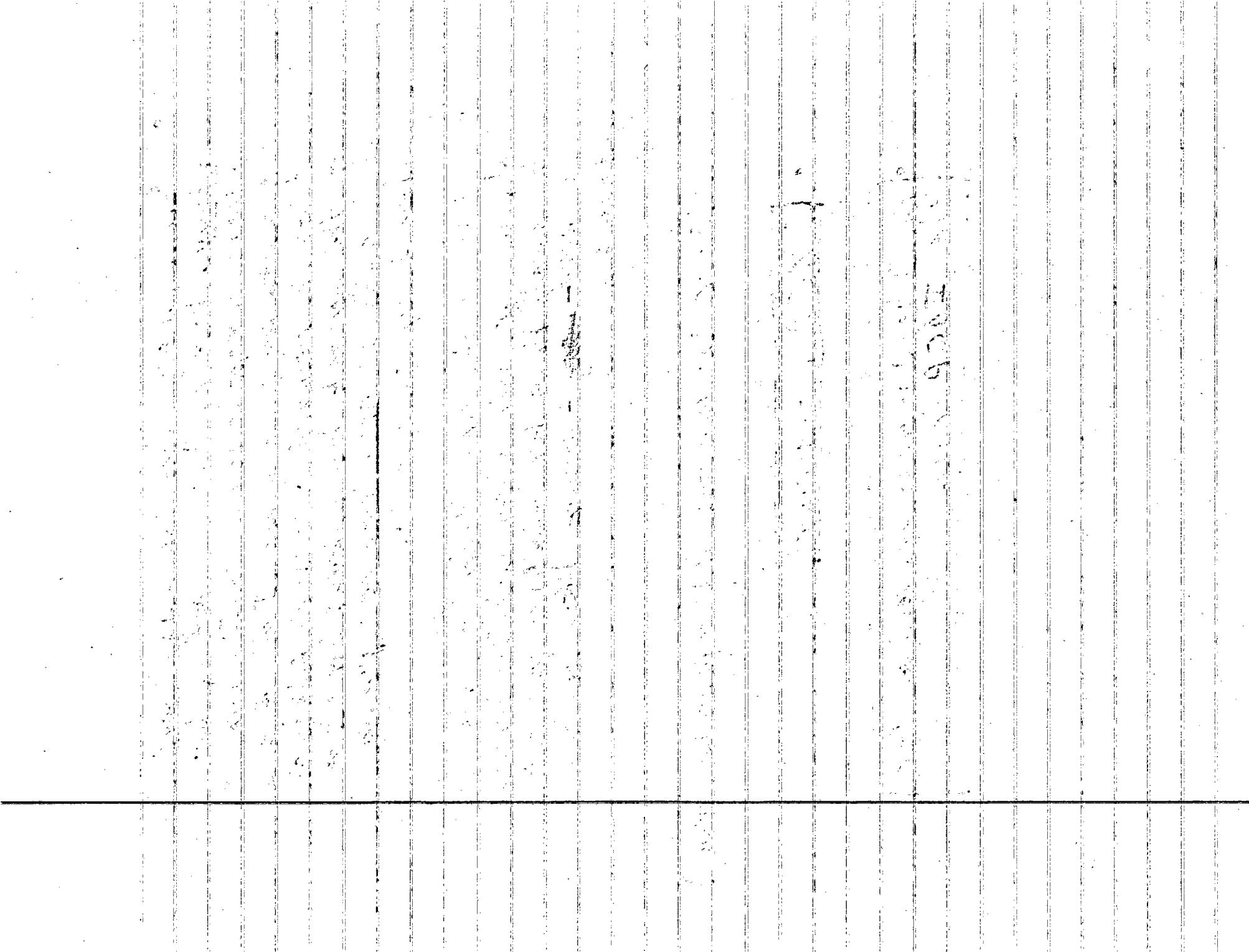
Second, this jail does have a digital law library. However, I've had nothing but problems attempting to use it. I'm lucky if it works once in a while. I'm not sure if it's a network or a WiFi problem, or if the app itself has problems; but I've had countless error messages pop up when I try to use it.

Most of the time it doesn't work at all; the app won't even load. The screen is usually blank but sometimes you get an error message like one of these:

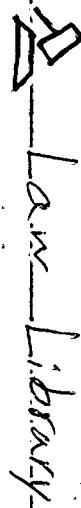
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• IACP protocol error

• An illegal response was received from the IACP server.



• Other times, it looks like this:



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Because the Law Library app is constantly having problems, and the jail library isn't capable of issuing relevant or adequate law books, I've had to ask my father (a retired school band teacher) to try and send me legal materials and documents through the mail. A small amount of legal documents were able to slip through the cracks and reach me. (Just a couple Supreme Court Rules etc.). Others have gotten rejected. I am

including documented proof of my rejected legal-mail that was sent from my father.

I was due to these unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances beyond my control that I wasn't able to complete my petition for Writ of Certiorari.

I am asking for an additional 60 days, so that I can complete the Writ.

