

No. 25-6587

IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

JETT G. ADAMS,

Petitioner,

v.

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, et al.,

Respondent,

ON PETITION FOR REHEARING
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT

PETITION FOR REHEARING

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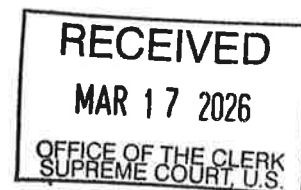


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REASONS FOR GRANTING REHEARING

This Court decided in *Ake v. Oklahoma* (1985) that a psychiatrist was necessary to help the defense team determine if the insanity defense is “viable”. *Ake* at 83 This Court has never held *Ake* errors to be harmless, *Vickers v. Arizona*, 111 L Ed 2d 806 at 808 (1990) yet all the Circuit Courts, except the Eleventh, hold these errors to be so. *McWilliams v. Comm’r*, 2019 U.S. App. LEXIS 30650 at 13-15 (2019) This provides way too much leeway for states to deny the defense critical access to psychiatric assistance and then prevail on appeal because the defendant who is then unrepresented cannot provide evidence that his mental illness would have been a critical part of his defense.

If *Ake* was being followed correctly this case wouldn’t be in front of you. Mentally ill individuals are not supposed to be ending up in prisons. *Ake v. Oklahoma* and *Gideon v. Wainwright* were written to defend those who couldn’t defend themselves. This case is an opportunity for the Court to close the book for good on how mentally ill individuals ought to be treated and what their rights are in the criminal justice system.

If this Court thinks that this case isn’t important than I would invite them to visit the Wyoming Medium Correctional Institution in Torrington, Wyoming. I would like for you to walk through a prison unit called Alpha 3. These are the people this case is about; severally mentally ill individuals that are far detached from reality and wouldn’t know how to successfully litigate a Federal Habeas. They

are the result of a State that would rather incarcerate indigent mentally ill people than provide them with rehabilitation.

The State Hospital would say these people are fine because they don't have bed space or the proper funds. The Court ignoring this case perpetuates the problem and gives its unwitting stamp of approval. If you twist *Ake* and require a defendant to show viability or a likelihood of success before obtaining psychiatric assistance than this is the result and if you won't take this case than it won't stop.

If you were to visit you would meet people not even competent enough to enter a plea at arraignment, much less take a plea deal or sit in a courtroom and have a jury believe for more than five minutes that they are sane or competent. I do not exaggerate though it may be hard to believe from where you are. These are the silent and helpless in the justice system and I think you would look at this case differently if you got to meet the people it's about. Mental illness continues to play an ever increasing role in our society and answering this case will change the lives of many you will never meet.

If this Court would say they don't have time to decide this case than move it to next year's docket, don't just throw it away. This particular case is unique in that being indigent and mentally ill are requirements and being pro se is a likelihood. Most mentally ill people that were denied justice and ended up in prison are unable to function in a way that is necessary to bring a case in front of this Court. I believe it will be a long time if ever that you get a perfect case like this. This case is the perfect vehicle regardless of what you may think of me or my circumstances.

I believe if this Court won't hear this case than it should have never decided *Ake*. It is wrong to say that silent and helpless people have rights but then refuse to stand behind them when they need you specifically. Mordecai told Queen Esther that God had raised her up "for such a time as this". You are in a unique position to help where everyone else has refused to do so. We are probably the most unpopular, feared and unrepresented people in this Country. This case doesn't have backing or support, but I believe it is all the more reason to help us.

Question 1 was presented so that you could reaffirm your position in *Ake*. Question 2 was presented to guarantee that States would no longer deny help to those who could do nothing about it. I realize that this Court is extremely busy but I want you to take time for this case in particular. I am here because I am interested in the outcome of my case, but in doing so I give a voice to those who have none. Please don't ignore us. I am willing to wait if I know there's an answer.

CONCLUSION

Therefore, I would ask this Court to grant certiorari or move this case to next year's docket for when you have more time. Please don't just throw us away.



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CERTIFICATE UNDER RULE 44.2

I, Jett G. Adams do affirm and certify, under the penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that I am pro-se Counsel of Record for Petitioner and that this Petition for Rehearing is restricted to the grounds outlined in Rule 44.2 and is presented in good faith and is not for the purpose of delay.

Executed on this 4th day of March, 2026.



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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

As required by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(h), I certify that the Petition for Rehearing contains 791 words and is 3 pages, excluding the parts of the petition that are exempted by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(d) and complies with the 3,000 word limit.

The undersigned, hereby affirm and certify, under the penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the foregoing is true and correct.

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, Jett G. Adams, do swear and declare that on this date, 3-4-26 as required by the Supreme Court Rule 29, I have served the enclosed PETITION FOR REHEARING on each party to the above proceeding or that party's counsel and on every other person required to be served, by depositing an envelope containing the above documents in the United States mail properly addressed to each of them and with first-class postage prepaid, or by delivery to a third-party commercial carrier for delivery within three (3) calendar days.

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