

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

**07-0216**

STATE OF OHIO, : Case No.  
Appellee, : On Appeal from the Belmont County  
v. : Court of Appeals, Seventh Appellate District  
NAWAZ AHMED, : Court of Appeals Case No. 05-BE-15  
Appellant. : **THIS IS A CAPITAL CASE**

CASE INFORMATION STATEMENT OF APPELLANT NAWAZ AHMED

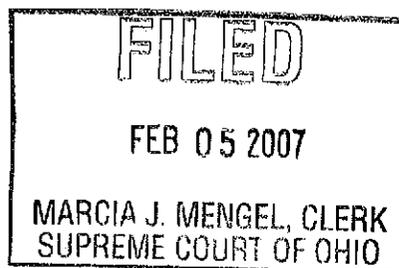
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Case Information Statement

Case Name: State of Ohio v. Nawaz Ahmed

Case No.:

I. Has this case previously been decided or remanded by this Court? Yes No

If so, please provide the Case Name:

Case No.:

Any Citation:

II. Will the determination of this case involve the interpretation or application of any particular case decided by the Supreme Court of Ohio or the Supreme Court of the United States?

Yes  No

If so, please provide the Case Name and Citation:

*Strickland v. Washington*, 466 U.S. 668 (1984); *Rees v. Payton*, 384 U.S. 312 (1966); *State v. Berry*, 80 Ohio St.3d 371 (1997). As this is a death penalty case this is not an exhaustive list.

Will the determination of this case involve the interpretation or application of any particular constitutional provision, statute, or rule of court? Yes  No

If so, please provide the appropriate citation to the constitutional provision, statute, or court rule, as follows:

U.S. Constitution: 5th, 6th, 8th, 14th Amendments Ohio Revised Code: R.C. 2953.21

Ohio Constitution: Article \_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_ Court Rule:

United States Code: Title \_\_\_\_\_, Section \_\_\_\_\_ Ohio Admin. Code: O.A.C. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

III. Indicate up to three primary areas or topics of law involved in this proceeding (e.g., jury instructions, UM/UIM, search and seizure, etc.):

- 1) competency in state post-conviction proceedings
- 2) ineffective assistance of counsel in death penalty cases
- 3) prosecutorial misconduct in capital cases

IV. Are you aware of any case now pending or about to be brought before this Court that involves an issue substantially the same as, similar to, or related to an issue in this case?

Yes No

If so, please identify the Case Name:

Case No.:

Court where Currently Pending:

Issue:

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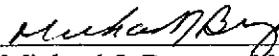
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