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Ross Geiger isn't some kind of activist when it comes to the death penalty. He's never organized a candlelight vigil or stood outside a prison protesting an execution.

He wants to be clear about that.

Everybody thinks I'm a crusader or something, Geiger said. They think I have no sympathy for the victims. That's just not true.

Yet Geiger did something last week that anti-death penalty activists rarely do. He stopped an execution.

Earlier this year, the Loveland man wrote a letter to Gov. John Kasich because he was worried about the case of Raymond Tibbetts, a Cincinnati man who beat to death his wife, Sue Crawford, and stabbed to death his landlord, Fred Hicks, on the same day in 1997.

Geiger's letter carried weight with Kasich, who delayed Tibbetts Feb. 13 execution until at least October, because Geiger served on the jury that convicted Tibbetts and recommended his death sentence.

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