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In my more than four decades as a law professor, I have studied issues of fairness in our criminal justice system, particularly in the area of the death penalty. Thus I was struck by a question that a juror who served Ray Tibbetts capital trial, Ross Allen Geiger, posed in a letter to Gov. John Kasich:

*Governor, if we are going to have a legal process that can send criminals to death that includes a special phase for mitigation shouldnt we get it right?*

Mr. Geigers question gets to the heart of why Gov. Kasich should exercise his executive clemency powers now to commute Tibbetts death sentence to a life sentence with no opportunity for parole.

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