(ORDER LIST: 523 U.S.)

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1998

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97-8689 MUNIZ, PEDRO V. JOHNSON, DIR. TX DCJ (A-817)

> The application for stay of execution of sentence of death presented to Justice Scalia and by him referred to the Court is denied. The petition for a writ of certiorari is denied.

Justice Stevens, and Justice Ginsburg would grant the application for stay of execution.