Nebraska high court rejects latest Lotter appeals

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - The Nebraska Supreme Court has rejected the latest appeals of death row inmate John Lotter, ruling he filed the appeals too late.

Lotter was sentenced to death for his role in the 1993 killings of Brandon Teena and two witnesses, Lisa Lambert and Philip DeVine, at a farmhouse near Humboldt.

Friday's ruling combined and addressed several of Lotter's post-conviction appeals. The high court said it lacked jurisdiction in the first batch, because Lotter did not timely appeal. The high court affirmed the dismissal of others by a lower court, noting they, too, came too late.

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