

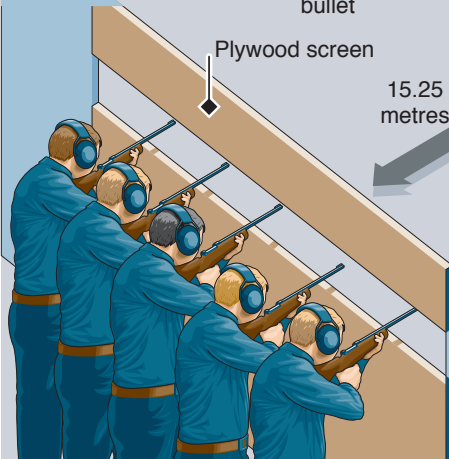
Ronnie Lee Gardner

U.S. firing squad execution

A Utah man convicted of two murders chose the firing squad as his method of execution, becoming the only man put to death by that means in the United States since 1996.

The method was later banned in Utah in 2004

Firing squad: Five-man squad using .30 calibre rifles. Four rifles loaded with live rounds and one with blank, allowing members of firing squad to retain some doubt over whether or not they fired fatal bullet



Execution chair:
Sandbag-lined, steel chair. Prisoner is shot through heart