

**BAZE et al. V. REES (2008):**

**Kentucky case; inmates alleged lethal injection constitutes cruel and unusual punishment;**

**sodium thiopental = unconscious  
pancuronium bromide = paralysis  
potassium chloride = cardiac arrest**

**if sodium thiopental doesn't render prisoner unconscious within 30 seconds, will be given a second injection before the second and third drugs are administered;**

**Kentucky Supreme Court ruled that lethal injection does not create a substantial risk of wanton, unnecessary infliction of pain, torture, or lingering death;**

**U.S. Supreme Court upheld Kentucky Supreme Court decision;**