United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Washington, D.C.

Robert B. Bergdahl,

USCA Dkt No. 16-0059/AR Crim.App.No. 20150624

Appellant

v.

ORDER

Peter Q. Burke, Lieutenant Colonel, AG, U.S. Army in his official capacity as Commander, Special Troops Battalion, U.S. Army Forces Command, Fort Bragg, NC, and Special Court-Martial Convening Authority,

and

United States,

Appellees

On consideration of the writ-appeal petition for review of the U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals decision on petition for a writ of mandamus, the motion on behalf of the National Institute of Military Justice for leave to file a brief as *amicus curiae*, the motion of the Center for Constitutional Rights to file a brief as *amicus curiae*, the motion of NBC News, a division of NBCUniversal Media, LLC, for leave to file a brief as *amicus curiae*, and Appellant's motion for an expedited hearing, it is, by the Court, this 23rd day of November, 2015,

ORDERED:

That the motions of the National Institute of Military Justice, the Center for Constitutional Rights and NBC News to file *amicus curiae* briefs are hereby granted; Bergdahl v. Burke and U.S., Docket No. 16-0059/AR

That the writ-appeal petition is hereby dismissed; and

That the motion for an expedited hearing is hereby denied as moot.

For the Court,

/s/ William A. DeCicco Clerk of the Court

cc: The Judge Advocate General of the Army Appellate Defense Counsel (Fidell) Appellate Government Counsel (Walker) National Institute of Military Justice (VanLandingham) Center for Constitutional Rights (Kadidal) NBC News (Kummer)