

MAURITANIA

Muslim

Mohamed CHEIKH OULD MKHEITIR

Age: 28 years

Date and place of arrest: In January 2014

Charges: Apostasy

Article of the criminal/ civil/ administrative code: Article 306 of the Mauritanian penal code stipulates apostasy as a crime punishable by death. Anyone found guilty of converting from Islam is supposed to be given three days to repent and if the individual concerned does not do so, they will face confiscation of their property, or the death sentence.

First court decision: On 24th December 2014, he was sentenced to death in a trial that started and ended on a single day. He has been on death row ever since.

Last court decision: An appeals court released him in November 2017 after spending several years in prison.

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