

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL
FOR THE FIFTH DISTRICT
STATE OF FLORIDA**

CASE No.: 5D16-0370

KENNETH PURDY,

Appellant,

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Appellee.

ON APPEAL FROM THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

**APPENDIX TO
APPELLANT'S INITIAL BRIEF**

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ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
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THE STATE OF FLORIDA

INDICTMENT

VS

b) JEFFREY JERROD HOLT
B/M DOB: 07/08/78
A) KENNETH PURDY
B/M DOB: 06/22/77

COUNT I MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE 782.04
COUNT II ARMED ROBBERY 812.13
COUNT III CARJACKING 812.133

NO: CR95-5061 6887

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IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

The Grand Jurors of the County of Orange, duly called, impaneled and sworn to inquire and true presentment make in and for the body of the County of Orange, upon their oaths do present that Jeffrey Jerrod Holt and Kenneth Purdy did on the 1st day of June, 1995, in Orange County, Florida in violation of Florida Statutes 782.04 and 775.087, from a premeditated design to effect the death of Willie Townsel, murder Willie Townsel, in the County and State aforesaid, by shooting him with a deadly weapon, to-wit: a firearm.

COUNT II

And the Grand Jurors of the County of Orange duly called, impaneled and sworn to inquire and true presentment make in and and for the body of the County of Orange, upon their oaths do further present that Jeffrey Jerrod Holt and Kenneth Purdy, did on the 1st day of June, 1995, in Orange County, Florida in violation of Florida Statutes 812.13(2)(a) and 775.087 by force, violence, assault or putting in fear, take away from the person or custody of Ronnell Mitchell certain property, to-wit: U. S. Money Current, as owner or custodian thereof, with the intent to permanently deprive the said owner or custodian of the property, and in the course of committing the robbery, Jeffrey Jerrod Holt and/or Kenneth Purdy did carry a firearm or other deadly weapon, to-wit: a firearm.



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COUNT III

And the Grand Jurors of the County of Orange duly called, impaneled and sworn to inquire and true presentment make in and for the body of the County of Orange, upon their oaths do further present that Jeffrey Jerrod Holt and Kenneth Purdy, did on the 1st day of June, 1995, in Orange County, Florida in violation of Florida Statute 812.133(1)(2)(a), take a motor vehicle from Ronnell Mitchell, as owner or custodian thereof, with the intent to permanently or temporarily deprive said owner or custodian of the motor vehicle, when in the course of the taking there was the use of force, violence, assault, putting Ronnell Mitchell in fear.

A TRUE BILL


Foreman of the Grand Jury

As authorized and required by law, I have advised the Grand Jury returning this indictment.


For LAWSON LAMAR, STATE ATTORNEY
Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida

Filed and presented in Open Court, in the presence of the Grand Jury this 13 day of June, 1995.

FRAN CARLTON
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: 
Deputy Clerk

This indictment encompasses the transaction and all charges listed on Complaint Number OCSO 95-181189 and CR95- and the bond thereon is hereby superseded. The Orange County Sheriff's Office shall substitute the charge(s) and bond indicated on this indictment for those on the above-cited complaint.

The Jury was released at 3:35 p.m., September 25, 1997.

Counsel for the Defense renewed the Motion for Judgment of Acquittal. Following arguments, the Court denied the Motion as to Counts 2 and 3. The Court granted the Motion in part to Count 1 charged as First Degree Premeditated Murder will be sent back to the Jury as First Degree Felony Murder.

The charging conference was held at 4:00 p.m., September 25, 1997.

COURT RECESSED at 4:55 p.m., September 25, 1997 until 9:30 a.m., September 26, 1997.

COURT OPENED at 10:00 a.m., September 26, 1997 with all Officers present. Susan McGee was present as Official Court Reporter.

Closing arguments were presented to the Jury.

The Jury was charged, retired, and deliberated.

The Jury sent a note requesting to hear the taped interview of defendant Kenneth Purdy (State's exhibit #55).

The Jury was brought into the Courtroom to hear the tape.

The Jury was retired to continue deliberating.

Having deliberated, the Jury returned with the following verdicts, to wit.

VERDICT
(as to Count 1)

WE THE JURY, find the Defendant, guilty of Felony First Degree Murder as charged in the information.

SPECIAL FINDING

WE THE JURY, Find that the Defendant did possess, carry, display, use, or attempt to use a firearm.

SO SAY WE ALL.



**DATED at Orlando, Orange County, Florida, on this 26th day
of September, 1997.**

**/s/ Edwin R. Barfield
FOREPERSON**

**VERDICT
(as to Count 2)**

**WE THE JURY, find the Defendant, guilty of Armed Robbery
With Firearm or Deadly Weapon, as charged in the
information.**

SPECIAL FINDING

**WE THE JURY, Find that the Defendant did possess, carry,
display, use, or attempt to use a firearm.**

SO SAY WE ALL.

**DATED at Orlando, Orange County, Florida, on this 26th day
of September, 1997.**

**/s/ Edwin R. Barfield
FOREPERSON**

**VERDICT
(as to Count 3)**

**WE THE JURY, find the Defendant, guilty of Armed
Carjacking as charged in the information.**

SPECIAL FINDING

**WE THE JURY, Find that the Defendant did possess, carry,
display, use, or attempt to use a firearm.**

SO SAY WE ALL.

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**Dated at Orlando, Orange County, Florida, on this 26th day
of September, 1997.**

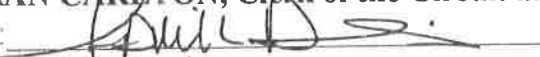
**/s/ Edwin R. Barfield
FOREPERSON**

The Jury was polled and discharged.

The Court adjudicated the Defendant guilty. Sentencing is set for October 13,
1997 at 11:00 a.m..

COURT RECESSED at 4:00 p.m., September 26, 1997; subject to call.

FRAN CARLTON, Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts

By: , Deputy Clerk in attendance
April L. Dennis

SENTENCE - PREPARED BY: DC - COUNTY - SENTENCING JUDGE

10/29/97 - MULLIN - ORANGE - MIHOK, A T

OFFENDER NAME - DOB - DC# 374830 - BLACK - MALE

FURDY, KENNETH - 06/22/77 - OBTS# - HISP: NO - PLEA

REVOCATION OF PROBATION OR COMMUNITY CONTROL ONLY? N

PRIMARY OFFENSE: QUALIFIER:

DOCKET FEL/DEG FLORIDA STATUTE LEVEL OFF.DATE
9506887 1ST/LIF 812.13(2)(A) 09 06/01/95
DESCRIPTION: 1212 - ROBBERY W/FIREARM OR D/WEAPON
(LVL=PTS: 1=4,2=10,3=16,4=22,5=28,6=36,7=42,8=74,9=91,10=116)

I. 91.0

ADDITIONAL OFFENSES: SUPPLEMENTAL PAGE ATTACHED: N

DOCKET	FEL/MM	FLORIDA STATUTE	LEV.	QUALIFY	CNT.	PTS.
9506887	1ST/LIF	812.133(2)(A)	09		001 X	10.8
DESCRIPTION: 1216 - CARJACK W/FA, DEADLY WEAPON						
(LVL=PTS: M=.2,1=.7,2=1.2,3=2.4,4=3.6,5=5.4,6=7.2,7=8.4,8=9.6,9=10.8,10=12)						
SUPPL.PAGE POINTS						0.0
						II. 10.8

VICTIM INJURY:

	NBR	TOTAL		NBR	TOTAL
2ND DEGREE MURDER	120 X	0 = 0	SLIGHT	4 X	0 = 0
DEATH	60 X	0 = 0	SEX PENETRATION	40 X	0 = 0
SEVERE	40 X	0 = 0	SEX CONTACT	18 X	0 = 0
MODERATE	18 X	0 = 0			
III. 0.0					

PRIOR RECORD: SUPPLEMENTAL PAGE ATTACHED: Y

FEL/MM	FLORIDA STATUTE	LEV.	QUALIFY	NUM.	PTS.	
3RD DEG	812.014(2)(C)6	04		001 X	02.4	
DESCRIPTION: 2404 - GRAND THEFT MOTOR VEHICLE						
3RD DEG	784.021(1)(B)	06		001 X	04.8	
DESCRIPTION: 1318 - AGG ASSLT-INTENT COMMIT FELONY						
3RD DEG	784.021(1)(A)	06		001 X	04.8	
DESCRIPTION: 1317 - AGG ASSLT-W/WPN NO INTENT TO K						
(LVL=PTS: M=.2,1=.5,2=.8,3=1.6,4=2.4,5=3.6,6=4.8,7=5.6,8=6.4,9=7.2,10=8)						
SUPPL.PAGE POINTS						0.4
						IV. 12.4
PAGE SUBTOTAL						114.2



OFFENDER NAME - DOCKET - DATE OF SENTENCE
 FURDY, KENNETH - 9506887 - 10/29/97

	PAGE 1 SUBTOTALS	114.2
LEGAL STATUS VIOLATION = 4 POINTS	V.	4.0
RELEASE PROGRAM VIOLATION - 6 POINTS X NBR VIOLATIONS	VI.	0.0
I. FIREARM OR DESTRUCTIVE DEVICE = 18 POINTS	VII.	0.0
II. SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPON OR MACHINE GUN = 25 POINTS	VIII.	0.0
	SUBTOTAL SENTENCE POINTS	118.2
ENHANCEMENTS: NONE		
	ENHANCED SUBTOTAL SENTENCE POINTS	0.0
	TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS	118.2

SENTENCE COMPUTATION

IF TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS ARE LESS THAN, OR EQUAL TO 40, THE SENTENCING COURT MAY NOT IMPOSE A STATE PRISON SENTENCE. THE SENTENCING COURT MAY INCREASE TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS THAT ARE LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 40 BY UP TO 15 PERCENT AND MAY IMPOSE A STATE PRISON SENTENCE IF THE INCREASED TOTAL EXCEEDS 40 POINTS.

0.0	X 1.15 =	0.0
TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS		INCREASED SENTENCE POINTS

IF TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS ARE GREATER THAN 40 AND LESS THAN 52 THE DECISION TO INCARCERATE IN A STATE PRISON IS LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT. IF TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS ARE GREATER THAN 52 THE SENTENCE MUST BE A STATE PRISON SENTENCE. A STATE PRISON SENTENCE IS CALCULATED BY DEDUCTING 28 FROM TOTAL OR INCREASED SENTENCE POINTS.

118.2	MINUS 28 =	90.2
TOTAL OR INCR. POINTS		STATE PRISON MONTHS

THE SENTENCING COURT MAY INCREASE OR DECREASE STATE PRISON MONTHS BY UP TO 25 PERCENT EXCEPT WHERE THE TOTAL SENTENCE POINTS WERE LESS THAN OR

POINTS.

/ X 0.75 =

67.6

90.2

MINIMUM STATE PRISON MONTHS

STATE PRISON MONTHS

\ X 1.25 =

112.7

MAXIMUM STATE PRISON MONTHS

TOTAL SENTENCE IMPOSED YEARS MONTHS DAYS

☒ STATE PRISON Life * _____
☐ COUNTY JAIL _____
☐ COMMUNITY CONTROL _____
☐ PROBATION _____

TIME SERVED = _

2 years +
30 day

DESIGNATE THE PARTICULAR TYPE OF SENTENCE WHERE AN ENHANCED OR MANDATORY SENTENCE IMPOSED.

☐ HABITUAL FELONY OFFENDER ☐ GUIDELINES AGGRAVATED DEPARTURE

☐ HABITUAL VIOLENT OFFENDER ☐ GUIDELINES MITIGATED DEPARTURE

MANDATORY PURSUANT TO: ☐ S.775.087 ☐ S.893.13 ☐ S.893.135

Defendant: KENNETH PURDY

Case Number: CR-O-95- 6887

OBTS Number: 0008032817

SENTENCE
(as to Count 001)

The defendant being personally before this court, accompanied by the defendant's attorney of record, Andrea Black, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the court having given the defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why the defendant should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE COURT THAT:

The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections.

TO BE IMPRISONED:

For a term of natural life.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS
(As to Count 001)

The following provision(s) apply to the sentence imposed:

Mandatory/Minimum Provisions:

Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum imprisonment provisions of section 775.087(2), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Other Provisions:

Jail Credit

It is further ordered that the defendant shall be allowed a total of 2 Year(s), 310 Day(s) as credit for time incarcerated before imposition of this sentence.

KENNETH PURDY

11/06/95



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SENTENCE

(as to Count 002)

The defendant being personally before this court, accompanied by the defendant's attorney of record, Andrea Black, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the court having given the defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why the defendant should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE COURT THAT:

The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections.

TO BE IMPRISONED:

For a term of 112.7 Month(s).

It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run consecutive to Count 1.

It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run concurrent with Count 3.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

(As to Count 002)

The following provision(s) apply to the sentence imposed:

Mandatory/Minimum Provisions:

Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum imprisonment provisions of section 775.087(2), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Other Provisions:

Jail Credit

It is further ordered that the defendant shall be allowed a total of 2 Year(s), 310 Day(s) as credit for time incarcerated before imposition of this sentence.

SENTENCE
(as to Count 003)

The defendant being personally before this court, accompanied by the defendant's attorney of record, Andrea Black, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the court having given the defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why the defendant should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE COURT THAT:

The Defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections.

TO BE IMPRISONED:

For a term of 112.7 Month(s).

It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run consecutive to Count 1.

It is further ordered that the sentence imposed for this count shall run concurrent with Count 2.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS
(As to Count 003)

The following provision(s) apply to the sentence imposed:

Mandatory/Minimum Provisions:

Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum imprisonment provisions of section 775.087(2), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Other Provisions:

Jail Credit

It is further ordered that the defendant shall be allowed a total of 2 Year(s), 310 Day(s) as credit for time incarcerated before imposition of this sentence.

Defendant: KENNETH PURDY

Case Number: CR-O-95- 6887

In the event the above sentence is to the Department of Corrections, the Sheriff of Orange County, Florida, is hereby ordered and directed to deliver the defendant to the Department of Corrections at the facility designated by the department together with a copy of this judgment and sentence and any other documents specified by Florida Statute.

The defendant in open court was advised of the right to appeal from this sentence by filing notice of appeal within 30 days from this date with the clerk of this court and the defendant's right to assistance of counsel in taking the appeal at the expense of the State on showing of indigence.

In imposing the above sentence, the court further recommends:

- The minimum mandatory imposed in Counts 2 and 3 are consecutive to the minimum mandatory in Count One.

Filed in Open Court this 6th day of November, 1997.

Fran Carlton
Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts

By: A. Dennis / E. Griffin
Deputy Clerk in Attendance

Done and Ordered at Orange County, Florida this 6th day of
November, 1997.


Honorable A. Thomas Mihok, Judge Presiding

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CASE No.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

**DEFENDANT'S SUCCESSIVE VERIFIED MOTION FOR POST-CONVICTION
RELIEF**

Defendant, KENNETH PURDY (hereafter "Defendant" or "Purdy") by and through the undersigned counsel and pursuant to Rule 3.850 of the Florida Rules of Criminal Procedure and hereby moves this Court to grant him relief pursuant to the Florida Supreme Court's recent decision in *Falcon*. In support of his Motion, the Defendant states, as follows:

I. FACTUAL AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND

1. On or about June 13, 1995 Defendant was charged, by way of Indictment, with First Degree Premeditated Murder (Count I), Armed Robbery (Count II), and Armed Carjacking (Count III). The crimes allegedly occurred on or about May 31, 1995, when Mr. Purdy, whose date of birth is June 22, 1977, was under the age of eighteen.

2. On September 26, 1997, a jury found Mr. Purdy guilty of First Degree Felony Murder, Armed Robbery and Armed Carjacking. On November 6, 1997, Mr. Purdy was sentenced to life in prison for murder, 112.7 months with the Department of Corrections with a three-year minimum mandatory term of imprisonment for armed robbery, to run consecutively to Count II. Additionally, Mr. Purdy was sentenced to 112.7 months in the Department of Corrections with a three-year minimum mandatory term of imprisonment for armed carjacking, to run consecutively to Count III.



3. In light of the recent holding of the Florida Supreme Court in *Falcon v. State*, 40 Fla. L. Weekly S151 (Fla. 2015), Mr. Purdy submits his sentence is illegal, as it was imposed in violation of the Eighth Amendment to the United States Constitution. Specifically, Mr. Purdy submits his sentence is illegal, since he was 17 at the time of the alleged crime, and he was sentenced to a mandatory term of life in prison, without the possibility of parole.

II. ARGUMENT

4. Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.800(b)(2) provides, in pertinent part: “A motion to vacate a sentence that exceeds the limits provided by law may be filed at anytime. No other motion shall be filed or considered pursuant to this rule if filed more than 2 years after the judgment and sentence become final unless it alleges that...the fundamental constitutional right asserted was not established within the period provided for herein and has been held to apply retroactively, and the claim is made within 2 years of the date of the made of the decision announcing the retroactivity...”

5. The Florida Supreme Court, in *Falcon*, held “that the United States Supreme Court’s decision in *Miller*¹ applies retroactively to any juvenile offender seeking to challenge the constitutionality of his or her sentence pursuant to *Miller* through collateral review.”

6. The *Falcon* decision applied to Purdy. Purdy was found guilty of First Degree Felony Murder, he was sentenced pursuant to Crimes- Capital Felonies-Penalties, found in the 1994 Fla. Sess. Law Serv. Ch. 94-228 (WEST), which reads in pertinent part: “(1) A person who has been convicted of a capital felony shall be punished by death or life imprisonment . . . (a) If

¹In *Miller v. Alabama*, — U.S. —, 132 S.Ct. 2455, 2469, 183 L.Ed.2d 407 (2012), the Supreme Court reviewed two cases in which defendants were sentenced to mandatory terms of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for homicide offenses committed while they were juveniles. The Supreme Court reversed the sentences imposed and held that “mandatory life without parole for those under the age of 18 at the time of their crimes violates the Eighth Amendment’s prohibition on ‘cruel and unusual punishments.’ ”

convicted of murder in the first degree or of a capital felony under s. 790.161, shall be ineligible for parole . . .” *Id.* (emphasis added). The sentencing guidelines from the time of Purdy’s punishment illustrate that Purdy was sentenced pursuant to a mandatory life sentence without the possibility of parole. This is the same sentencing scheme deemed unconstitutional in *Miller* and found to apply retroactively in *Falcon*. Therefore, Purdy’s sentence to life is constitutionally invalid.

7. The Florida Supreme Court’s decision in *Horsley v. State*, 40 Fla. L. Weekly S155 (Fla. 2015) outlines the appropriate remedy. Specifically, this court should conduct a resentencing proceeding in conformance with chapter 2014-220, Laws of Florida, because “most juveniles should be provided ‘some meaningful opportunity’ for future release from incarceration if they can demonstrate maturity and rehabilitation.” *Id.* at *12 (citing *Miller*, 132 S. Ct. at 2469). First this court must determine whether Purdy “actually killed, intended to kill, or attempted to kill the victim.” Ch. 2014–220, § 1, Laws of Fla.² When this court determines that Purdy did not “actually kill, intend to kill, or attempt to kill the victim,” this court has broad discretion to impose a sentence of any lesser term of years, with judicial review after 15 years if he is sentence to more than 15 years’ imprisonment.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, KENNETH PURDY, respectfully requests this Court enter an Order:

- A. Vacating Purdy’s sentence in this case;
- B. Scheduling an evidentiary hearing;
- C. Scheduling a resentencing hearing proceeding in conformance with chapter 2014-220, Laws of Florida; and

² As in *Falcon*, the jury never determined whether Purdy actually killed, intended to kill, or attempted to kill the victim. Indeed, Purdy has filed multiple post-conviction motions asserting Ronnell Mitchell accidentally shot the victim.

D. Awarding such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

DATED this May 21, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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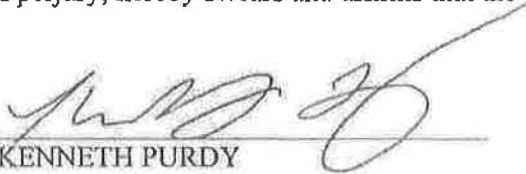
I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished electronically via the Florida Courts eFiling Portal to opposing counsel this 21st day of May, 2015.

Matthew R. McLain
Matthew R. McLain, Esq.

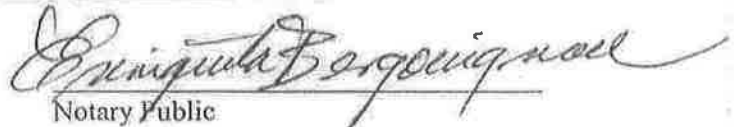
NOTARIZED VERIFICATION

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Dade

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared KENNETH PURDY, who first being duly sworn, says that he: (1) is the Defendant in the above styled proceeding; (2) reads, writes and understands English; (3) has read the Motion for Post-Conviction Relief and understands the contents of the motion; and (4) under the penalties of perjury, hereby swears and affirms that the foregoing is true and correct.


KENNETH PURDY

The foregoing was acknowledged before me this 18th day of MAY, 2015, by KENNETH PURDY, who produced STATE ID# A-374830 as identification, and who did / did not take an oath.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



ENRIQUETA BERGOUIGNAN
MY COMMISSION # FF 202092
EXPIRES: February 22, 2019
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
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STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

CASE NO.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

DIVISION: 12

**ORDER GRANTING "DEFENDANT'S SUCCESSIVE
VERIFIED MOTION FOR POST-CONVICTION RELIEF"**

THIS MATTER is before the Court on "Defendant's Successive Verified Motion for Post-Conviction Relief" filed on May 21, 2015, pursuant to Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.850. After reviewing Defendant's Motion, the court file, and the record, the Court finds as follows:

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On September 26, 1997, Defendant was convicted of first-degree felony murder, armed robbery, and armed carjacking. On November 6, 1997, he was sentenced to the following consecutive terms in the Department of Corrections: life for the murder and 112.7 months for the other two offenses. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 725 So. 2d 1137 (Table) (Fla. 5th DCA 1998).

On July 20, 1999, Defendant filed a Motion for Postconviction Relief pursuant to Rule 3.850, alleging nine claims of ineffective assistance of counsel and one claim of trial court error. The motion was denied on May 24, 2000. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 773 So. 2d 560 (Table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2000).

On April 14, 2004, Defendant filed a second Motion for Postconviction Relief pursuant to Rule 3.850, alleging newly discovered evidence in the form of a confession which his co-defendant, Christopher Phillips, gave to a fellow inmate. The motion was denied on March 31, 2005. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 907 So. 2d 545 (Table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2005).

On July 24, 2006, Defendant filed a "Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence Based on Newly Discovered Evidence" pursuant to Rule 3.850, and on October 21, 2008, he filed a Supplement to Motion for Postconviction Relief, alleging newly discovered evidence in



the form of the sworn affidavit of Jimel Johnson, which purportedly indicated that the gunshot that killed the victim was received after the commission of the armed robbery and carjacking and was not a result of the underlying felonies. The Court conducted an evidentiary hearing on October 21, 2008, and denied the Motion on November 20, 2008. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 43 So. 3d 708 (Table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2010).

On March 29, 2011, Defendant filed a fourth Motion for Postconviction Relief pursuant to Rule 3.850, and an Amended Verified Motion for Postconviction Relief Based on Newly Discovered Evidence on September 23, 2011, alleging newly discovered evidence in the form of the gun used to kill the victim. The motion was denied on July 31, 2014. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 158 So. 3d 605 (Table) Fla. 5th DCA 2015).

On October 9, 2012, Defendant filed a Motion to Correct Illegal Sentence pursuant to Rule 3.800(a), alleging that his life sentence was illegal in light of *Miller v. Alabama*, 132 S. Ct. 2455 (2012), since he was 17 years old at the time of the alleged crime. The motion was denied on April 2, 2014. He appealed, and the Fifth District Court of Appeal *per curiam* affirmed. *Purdy v. State*, 150 So. 3d 1174 (Table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2014).

ANALYSIS AND RULING

In the instant Motion, Defendant alleges that his sentence of life without parole violates the Eighth Amendment's prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment pursuant to *Miller v. Alabama*, 132 S. Ct. 2455 (2012), in light of the recent holding in *Falcon v. State*, No. SC13-865, 2015 WL 1239365 (Fla. Mar. 19, 2015). He asserts that he was seventeen years old at the time of the offenses, and that the trial court had no other option but to sentence him to life without parole, as this was the only sentence available to a juvenile offender until the ruling in *Miller*. He requests a resentencing hearing at which time the Court should determine whether he actually killed, intended to kill, or attempted to kill the victim, and exercise its discretion to impose a sentence of any lesser term of years.

On March 19, 2015, the Florida Supreme Court held that the decision in *Miller* applies retroactively to any juvenile offender seeking to challenge the constitutionality of his or her sentence pursuant to *Miller* through collateral review. *Falcon*, 2015 WL 1239365.¹ Thus, in

¹ The Mandate in *Falcon* was issued on May 22, 2015.

accordance with *Falcon*, this Court will conduct a resentencing hearing in conformance with chapter 2014-220, Laws of Florida, at which time the Court will consider the enumerated and any other pertinent factors relevant to the offense and Defendant's youth and attendant circumstances. *Id.*

Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that:

1. "Defendant's Successive Verified Motion for Post-Conviction Relief" is **GRANTED**.
2. A resentencing hearing is hereby set for the 30th day of June, 2015, at 11:00 (a.m./p.m.) in Courtroom 12-D.
3. This is a non-final, non-appealable Order. This matter is not ripe for appeal until completion of the hearing.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Orlando, Orange County, Florida, this _____ day of June, 2015.

MARK S. BLECHMAN
Circuit Judge, this

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MARK S. BLECHMAN
Circuit Court Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Order has been furnished by U.S. Mail or hand delivery to **Matthew R. McLain, Esquire**, Attorney for Defendant, Brownstone, P.A., 201 North New York Avenue, Suite 200, Winter Park, Florida 32789; and to the **Office of the State Attorney, Postconviction Felony Unit**, Post Office Box 1673, 415 North Orange Avenue, Suite 200, Orlando, Florida 32801, on this _____ day of June, 2015.

Judicial Assistant

SENTENCE
As to Count: 1

The defendant being personally before this court, accompanied by the Defendant's attorney of record, MATTHEW RAUL MCLAIN, Esquire, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the court having given the defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why the defendant should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE COURT THAT:

The Defendant is hereby committed to the Department of Corrections.

___ The defendant is sentenced as a youthful offender in accordance with section 958.04, Florida Statutes.

TO BE IMPRISONED:

X For a term of: 40 Years (NO GAIN TIME)

___ For a term of Life.

SPLIT SENTENCE

___ Followed by a period of on Community Control under the supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of supervision set forth in a separate order entered herein.

___ Followed by a period of on Probation under the supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of supervision set forth in a separate order entered herein.

In the event the defendant is ordered to serve additional split sentences, all incarnation portions shall be satisfied before the defendant begins service of the supervision terms.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS
As to Count: 1

Mandatory/ Minimum Provisions:

Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum mandatory imprisonment provision of section 775.087(2), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Drug Trafficking

It is further ordered that the mandatory minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.135(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

It is further ordered that the Mandatory Minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.135(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Controlled Substance Within 1,000 Feet of School

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.13(1)(e)1, Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.



Habitual Felony Offender

— The defendant is adjudicated a habitual felony offender and has been sentenced to an extended term in accordance with the provisions of section 775.084(4)(a), Florida Statutes. The requisite findings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.

Habitual Violent Felony Offender

— The defendant is adjudicated a habitual violent felony offender and has been sentenced to an extended term in accordance with the provisions of section 775.84(4)(b), Florida Statutes. A minimum term of must be served prior to release. The requisite findings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.

Law Enforcement Protection Act

— It is further ordered that the defendant shall serve a minimum of year(s) before release in accordance with section 775.0823, Florida Statutes.

Capital Offense

— It is further ordered that the defendant shall serve no less than 25 years in accordance with the provisions of section 775.082(1), Florida Statutes.

Short-Barreled Rifle, Shotgun, Machine Gun

— It is further ordered that the 5-year minimum provisions of section 790.221(2), Florida Statutes, are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Continuing Criminal Enterprise

— It is further ordered that the 25-year minimum sentence provisions of section 893.20, Florida Statutes, are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Taking a Law Enforcement Officer's Firearm

— It is further ordered that the 3-year mandatory minimum imprisonment provision of section 775.0857(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Other Provisions:

Retention of Jurisdiction

— The Court retains jurisdiction over the defendant pursuant to section 947.16(3), Florida Statutes (1983) for a term of

Jail Credit

 X It is further ordered that the defendant shall be allowed a total of **2 Years, 310 Days and ALL DOC time Served** Days as credit for time incarcerated before imposition of this sentence.

CREDIT FOR TIME SERVED
IN RESENTENCING AFTER
VIOLATION OF PROBATION
OR COMMUNITY CONTROL

___ It is further ordered that the defendant be allowed ___ days time served between date of arrest as a violator following release from prison to the date of resentencing. The Department of Corrections shall apply original jail time credit and shall compute and apply credit for time served and unforfeited gain time previously awarded on case/count _____. (Offenses committed before October 1, 1989)

___ It is further ordered that the defendant be allowed ___ days time served between date of arrest as a violator following release from prison to the date of resentencing. The Department of Corrections shall apply original jail time credit and shall compute and apply credit for time served on case/count _____. (Offenses committed between October 1, 1989 and December 31, 1993)

___ The Court deems the unforfeited gain time previously awarded on the above case/count forfeited under section 948.06(6)

___ The Court allows unforfeited gain time previously awarded on the above case/count (Gain time may be subject to forfeiture by the Department of Corrections under section 944.28(1)).

___ It is further ordered that the defendant be allowed ___ days' time served between date of arrest as a violator following release from prison to the date of resentencing. The Department of Corrections shall apply original jail time credit of _____ (served prior to arrest as violator) and the Department of Corrections shall compute and apply credit for time served on the original DOC sentence only, pursuant to section 921.0017, Florida Statutes. (Offenses committed on or after January 1, 1994)

CONSECUTIVE/ CONCURRENT

___ As to Other Counts:

___ As to Other Cases:

In the event the above sentence is to the Department of Corrections, the Sheriff of Orange County, Florida, is hereby ordered and directed to deliver the defendant to the Department of Corrections at the facility designated by the department together with a copy of this judgment and sentence and any other documents specified by Florida Statute.

The defendant in open court was advised of the legal right to appeal from this sentence by filing notice of appeal within 30 days from this date with the clerk of this court and the defendant's right to assistance of counsel in taking the appeal at the expense of the State on showing of indigence.

Done and Ordered at Orange County, Florida on November 18, 2015

Honorable Judge:



Mark S Blechman

Filed in Open Court on: November 18, 2015

Deputy Clerk in Attendance: Maria F.,
Office of Tiffany M. Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant./

CASE NUMBER: 1995-CF-6887-A-O

DIVISION NUMBER: 12-1

RESENTENCING HEARING

BEFORE

THE HONORABLE MARK BLECHMAN

In the Orange County Courthouse
Courtroom 12D
Orlando, Florida 32801
November 18, 2015
Shelly Coffey, RPR

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1 PROCEEDINGS

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3 THE CLERK: 1995-CF-6887-A-O, Kenneth Purdy.

4 THE COURT: Good afternoon, Mr. Purdy.

5 THE DEFENDANT: Good afternoon, sir.

6 THE COURT: I'm going to ask you to raise your
7 right hand so that the clerk can place you under oath,
8 please.

9 THE CLERK: Do you solemnly swear or affirm the
10 testimony you're about to give in this cause is the
11 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth so
12 help you God?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, ma'am.

14 THE CLERK: Thank you.

15 THE COURT: For our record, would you state your
16 name, please?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Kenneth Purdy.

18 THE COURT: And, Mr. McLain, those are Gator
19 colors or autumn colors?

20 MR. McLAIN: Those are Gator colors, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: I wasn't sure. For the record, would
22 you announce your identity?

23 MR. McLAIN: Matthew McLain for the defendant.

24 THE COURT: And would you announce your presence,
25 Ms. Hicks?

1 **MS. HICKS:** State attorney's office, Kelly Hicks.

2 And I believe those are Syracuse University colors.

3 **THE COURT:** There wouldn't be any blue in there,
4 as my dad used to tell me, since he was a Syracuse
5 graduate.

6 **MS. MILLS-UVALLE:** And Terri Mills-Uvalle for the
7 State.

8 **THE COURT:** Okay. We are here for a sentencing
9 pursuant to Florida Statute 775.082. In effect, it's
10 a resentencing based upon the Supreme Court
11 pronouncement that a person who commits a capital
12 offense while under the age of 18 may not be sentenced
13 to life in prison without a possibility of an early
14 release showing rehabilitation.

15 I believe the facts of this case are that you
16 committed this crime when you were 17 years, 11 months
17 and one week old, which technically places you under
18 the age of 18. And so the Supreme Court, choosing an
19 arbitrary date of 18, decided that those last three
20 weeks put you in a category where you were not fully
21 developed and entitled to an opportunity for early
22 release.

23 We had a hearing, pursuant to Florida Statute
24 921.1401, where your attorney presented a number of
25 items addressing the issues under subparagraph 2, and

1 I'll go over those in a minute, and the State, as
2 well, had an opportunity to present evidence and to
3 object to the defense evidence.

4 In addition, I have reviewed the entire
5 transcript of the trial. I believe it was 20 years
6 ago, and I believe Judge Mihok was the trial judge for
7 your trial. I've also reviewed what I believe to be
8 the appropriate case law in this case, as well as the
9 statutes that apply to this case.

10 So under either subsection of the statutes I have
11 to deal with today, a hearing under 921.1401 was held,
12 and so I'll consider that complete and move forward on
13 sentencing, once I announce under what subsection
14 we're going under. Before I continue with my findings
15 and rulings, I had ordered that the State choose --
16 the proverbial choice of choosing between impaneling a
17 jury of 12 citizens, in order to prove beyond a
18 reasonable doubt, and, therefore, a finding by a jury
19 beyond a reasonable doubt whether or not you actually
20 killed, intended to kill or attempted to kill the
21 victim in this case.

22 The State filed a notice of appeal, and that was
23 dismissed, I believe, and ultimately filed a motion,
24 with all -- a well-written response, indicating that
25 the State is declining my request for them to choose

1 and not make any choice.

2 I think Ms. Mills-Uvalle filed that document or
3 signed that document.

4 **MS. MILLS-UVALLE:** That's correct.

5 **THE COURT:** Okay. So here we are. As I see it,
6 the options are for me under 775.082(b)(1) or
7 Subsection (b)(2) to impose a sentence in this case.
8 Under Subsection (b)(1) if you killed, intended to
9 kill or attempted to kill the victim, I may, after our
10 sentencing hearing, which we've already had, as I
11 indicated, sentence you to life imprisonment, if I
12 believe that life imprisonment is an appropriate
13 sentence, or, if it's not, to a term of years of no
14 less than 40 years. So that statute, in my opinion,
15 creates what's known as a mandatory minimum of 40
16 years, because that's the least I could give you.

17 Further, if I do sentence you under that
18 subsection, you are entitled to a hearing under
19 921.1402(2)(a), and, again, that's within 25 years.
20 And at that point I can and I have the authority to
21 order your release. So if the 40 years is not a
22 technical mandatory minimum, the 25 years is certainly
23 a mandatory minimum, and that only applies if you
24 killed, intended to kill or attempted to kill the
25 victim.

1 Under Subsection 2 of that, if you did not
2 actually kill, intend to kill or attempt to kill the
3 victim, then I may sentence you again to a term of
4 years up to and including life in imprisonment or any
5 lesser sentence, even going below the 40 years
6 mentioned in Subsection (b)(1). So that is the reason
7 I am interpreting the 40 years as a mandatory minimum.

8 However, if I sentence you under Subsection
9 (b)(2) to any sentence, including up to life in
10 prison, then you would be entitled to the same hearing
11 under 921.1402(2)(c), but that would be within 15
12 years. So that creates what's known as, in my
13 opinion, a mandatory minimum of 15 years. You must
14 serve at least 15 years before I can order more time
15 or your release.

16 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

17 **THE COURT:** So there's a ten-year difference,
18 creating, in my opinion, a mandatory minimum. I
19 believe that the -- I don't believe. I know the
20 Supreme Court in *Apprendi*, A-P-P-R-E-N-D-I, *versus New*
21 *Jersey*, in June of the year 2000, mandated that any
22 fact that either increases a punishment or creates a
23 mandatory sentence or a mandatory minimum, that that
24 fact must be found by a jury beyond a reasonable
25 doubt.

1 An analogous situation is somebody charged with
2 drug trafficking and the different amounts of the drug
3 which create the mandatory minimum of different
4 ranges. If it were cocaine, it would be three or
5 seven or 15 years. And the Supreme Court found and
6 held that a jury must decide that by proof beyond a
7 reasonable doubt.

8 The State -- *Apprendi* also has a plethora of
9 opinions since then following that ruling, and so when
10 I cite *Apprendi* for the record, it's *Apprendi* as well
11 as its progeny.

12 The State of Florida, in its response, argues
13 that based upon a the Fifth District Court of Appeal
14 case of *Williams versus State* -- and I have it. Give
15 me a second here. *Williams versus State* at 171 So.3d.
16 143. That based upon that case from the Fifth District
17 Court Of Appeal that I, as the judge, have the legal
18 authority to make that finding.

19 In this two-page opinion, in the last paragraph
20 of the opinion, in the middle of the paragraph it
21 addresses this issue in one sentence and says, that
22 because the jury did not find that Williams actually
23 possessed and discharged a firearm during the crime,
24 the Court must make a written finding as to whether
25 Williams, who's the defendant in that case, killed,

1 intended to kill or attempted to kill the victim.

2 And so it does address and support the State's
3 argument in this case. It doesn't go into detail as

4 ~~to what authority a court has to make that.~~ It

5 doesn't address *Apprendi*. I took it upon myself to
6 read the briefs filed by the attorneys in the case.

7 All three briefs, none of them mention *Apprendi*. In
8 fact, none of the briefs mention who, if anybody,
9 should make this finding. So, to my knowledge, it
10 wasn't presented to the Court. To my knowledge, the
11 court addressed this issue without having -- clearly,
12 without having it briefed. And, in my opinion, the
13 court's one sentence is in contradiction to the United
14 States Supreme Court of *Apprendi* and its progeny.

15 I do want to note for the record, and the State
16 can use this any way it wants, that I have read the
17 transcript. And, in my opinion, if I had the
18 authority to make a finding, I would find that you are
19 the person who actually killed, intended to kill or
20 attempted to kill the victim. However, based upon
21 *Apprendi* and its progeny, I don't believe that I have
22 the legal authority to make that decision, and so as a
23 result, it is my intent to sentence you under Florida
24 Statute 775.082(b)(2).

25 I've offered the State an opportunity to impanel

1 a jury of 12 to make that finding, and they have
2 respectfully declined making that choice. And so I'm
3 ready to proceed to sentence.

4 And at this point we've already had the 921.1401
5 hearing. I'm about to make findings based upon that
6 and continue with the sentencing, but I'll give, based
7 upon my pronouncement, each side an opportunity to
8 recommend a sentence, if it wishes.

9 I'll start with Mr. McLain with the defense, and
10 then I'll go to the State.

11 **MR. McLAIN:** Thank you, Your Honor.

12 The sentence that the defense will be
13 recommending to the Court is credit for time served.
14 As we presented at the hearing that this Court had on
15 the 921.1401, there's mitigation in this case and
16 proof that Mr. Purdy has rehabilitated himself.

17 You know, one of the more compelling components,
18 too, which is a fact the Court has to consider, is
19 that the victim's mother in this case has said she
20 desires that he be released, as well. And we think
21 that should carry a lot of weight with the Court, as
22 well as Mr. Purdy's proof of rehabilitation.

23 Since his incarceration, he has had a very slight
24 history, disciplinary history, of reprimands with the
25 Department of Corrections. You know, I think there

1 was perhaps three or four incidents, which Mr. Purdy
2 explained at his hearing. He also presented character
3 witnesses that attested to his good behavior,
4 including attorneys, including his family members, and
5 also set forth a plan of what he will do if released.

6 And I think it's noteworthy that he is not going
7 back to the same circumstances that he was in when he
8 was a juvenile. That certainly led to many problems
9 and him having to encounter those problems head-on.
10 He will be moving out of the county where he grew up,
11 with a fiancée who's employed as a professional nurse.
12 And we believe that a sentence -- a sentencing scheme
13 should be for him to be released at this time.

14 **THE COURT:** Okay. It's my interpretation that I
15 am resentencing him on Count 1 today, and that based
16 upon my resentence, your client would be entitled to a
17 1402(2)(c) hearing, at which time he can be released.
18 But this is actually the sentencing, and so regardless
19 of what my sentence is, your client under Subsection
20 (b)(2) has already served a 15-year mandatory minimum
21 in order to have that hearing.

22 So, State, what's your recommendation regarding
23 sentencing?

24 **MS. HICKS:** Thank you, Judge.

25 **THE COURT:** Ms. Hicks.

1 **MS. HICKS:** If I could just address one thing
2 that you said.

3 **THE COURT:** And I'll give you -- you may have the
4 opportunity now.

5 **MS. HICKS:** Okay. Thank you. Your Honor, one of
6 the things that you said was -- unless I misunderstood
7 you -- where the State was coming with the authority
8 for Your Honor. I think maybe what you said was in
9 that opinion, the *Williams* opinion, it doesn't say
10 where the Court gets the authority to make the
11 finding.

12 And that authority actually comes from the
13 statute in this case. The 775.082 statute
14 specifically says that it is the Court that makes the
15 finding. So we just wanted to make sure that the
16 Court had notice of that provision in the statute.

17 I understand your ruling with *Apprendi*. I guess
18 you're effectively saying that the statute is
19 unconstitutional because of *Apprendi*.

20 **THE COURT:** Where does it say "the Court"? It
21 says, "A person who actually" --

22 **MS. HICKS:** Within the statute -- if you continue
23 reading within the -- and I apologize. I didn't bring
24 a copy of the --

25 **THE COURT:** I've got a copy, if you don't mind my

1 highlighted version.

2 MS. HICKS: No, of course not. I haven't read it
3 in awhile, but...

4 THE COURT: Okay. Because later on in that
5 paragraph of (b)(1) it says, "If the Court finds that
6 a life sentence is appropriate."

7 MS. HICKS: Do you have 1402?

8 THE COURT: Right here. It starts at the bottom.
9 You have to look up.

10 MS. HICKS: Sorry.

11 THE COURT: Starts at the bottom here and
12 actually goes to the next page.

13 MS. HICKS: Right. I know it's in here
14 somewhere, Judge. But I can have Ms. Mills-Uvalle
15 look for it, because it's actually -- but...

16 THE COURT: And regardless of whether it's in
17 there or not --

18 MS. HICKS: Yes. Your ruling is going to be the
19 same. I understand that. But I just wanted to be
20 clear that it's my recollection -- again, I haven't
21 read the statute in a few months. It's my
22 recollection that it's actually in the statute, that
23 it says -- because if you look at *Williams*, the part
24 the Court is quoting, I think it's actually quoting
25 the statute where it says that the Court makes the

1 written finding, if I remember correctly.

2 THE COURT: Well, it cites to it, but it
3 doesn't -- it's citing that the finding must be made
4 that the -- that Williams killed, intended to kill or
5 attempted to kill. I don't think it's -- there's not
6 quotes around it, and I don't think it's citing as a
7 quotation that the Court must make the finding.

8 MS. HICKS: It says under subparagraph
9 775.082(3) -- well, I guess it's Subsection (1)(a) --
10 (1)(b)(3), "The Court shall make a written finding as
11 to whether the person is eligible for a sentencing
12 review hearing under 921.1402. Such finding shall be
13 based on whether the person killed, intended to kill
14 or attempted to kill the victim."

15 THE COURT: "Such finding shall be based upon" --
16 it doesn't say the Court makes that finding. Let's
17 say a jury made that finding. I could base it upon
18 that finding.

19 MS. HICKS: Okay. Just then it's an
20 interpretation of the statute, but I just wanted to
21 put that out there because we all know we're appealing
22 something.

23 THE COURT: I know that.

24 MS. HICKS: So something's getting appealed by
25 somebody.

1 **THE COURT:** I think we need clarification. And
2 while I'm confident I'm right, I would like an
3 appellate court to say I am or I'm not. I'm not
4 offended if an appellate court says I'm wrong.

5 I do want to point out one more thing for the
6 record, and then I'll let you continue, if you don't
7 mind.

8 **MS. HICKS:** Sure.

9 **THE COURT:** It's one of the privileges of being a
10 judge. I get to interrupt people, and I apologize for
11 that, Ms. Hicks.

12 The indictment in this case on Count 1 charged
13 you with premeditated first degree murder. However,
14 during the course of the trial, during the closing
15 argument -- and I think, Ms. Mills-Uvalle, you were
16 the prosecutor.

17 **MS. MILLS-UVALLE:** I was.

18 **THE COURT:** The State did not proceed under a
19 premeditated theory of first degree murder and
20 proceeded under a felony first degree murder, which
21 it's entitled to do. All of that is legal,
22 legitimate. Had the State proceeded under
23 premeditated first degree murder and had the jury made
24 the finding it did, the special finding that you
25 actually possessed a firearm, I believe I could have

1 used that as a finding to support the requirement that
2 you killed, intended to kill or attempted to kill.
3 But because you were convicted of felony first degree
4 murder and because the interrogatory verdict only had
5 the one choice, which was only necessary at that
6 time -- we didn't know back then what we know now --
7 the only finding required was that you possessed a
8 firearm. And the jury found you possessed a firearm,
9 but it doesn't mean because it was a felony murder
10 that you actually killed, intended to kill or
11 attempted to kill. So further facts that my finding
12 is based upon, that if things were just a little bit
13 different, I would have made a different finding.

14 Please continue.

15 **MS. HICKS:** She actually got a JOA on the
16 premeditated aspect.

17 Sorry.

18 **MS. MILLS-UVALLE:** That's okay.

19 **THE COURT:** So you tried.

20 **MS. HICKS:** Yeah. She, actually, got JOA'd on
21 the premeditated part.

22 One of the things that just -- maybe this is not
23 really necessary. But one of the things I think is
24 interesting about -- having worked with the statute a
25 little bit and having done several of these hearings

1 now, one of the things I worry about is -- and maybe
2 the legislature needs to clarify -- is that, I think,
3 because we oftentimes deal with actually possessed or
4 didn't actually possess or actually killed and didn't
5 actually kill, I think when you first read the statute
6 and it says, was the person who actually killed,
7 intended to kill or attempted to kill the victim, I
8 think a lot of us probably have the tendency -- I know
9 I certainly did -- to read that very narrowly in terms
10 of whether he was either the one who did it or -- but
11 more like the principal theory. And I don't believe
12 that's what the intent of the legislature is when it's
13 talking about that provision of the statute, because
14 if that's what the intent of the legislature was in
15 terms of -- like more like the principal theory. If
16 two people commit a crime and one person's the actual
17 shooter and one person is not, then that -- the person
18 who's not could never fall under the first subsection
19 of the statute, and that's not what the intent of the
20 legislature was.

21 So, for example, if you take a premeditated
22 theory of first degree murder where two people get
23 together and they decide, we really want to kill
24 somebody, and then they carry out their plan but, of
25 course, only one of them is the one who actually pulls

1 the trigger, in that scenario both of them could be
2 convicted under the first subsection, the (1)(b)(1).

3 THE COURT: I agree.

4 MS. HICKS: And I just want to make sure that
5 it's not a narrow reading of the statute in terms of
6 more like principal theory.

7 THE COURT: Right. But that's the premeditated
8 version of first degree murder. The felony version is
9 different and creates more issues for the State.

10 MS. HICKS: I totally agree with that. I
11 completely agree with that. I just -- I just know
12 that the very first time I ever read it -- and I think
13 when a lot people read it, you just immediately --
14 because of the way we work in our system, you
15 immediately think of principal theory. One person did
16 it; one person didn't.

17 THE COURT: Right.

18 MS. HICKS: So, therefore, one person gets it and
19 one person --

20 THE COURT: But I think you're covered with the
21 "intended to kill" language in that.

22 MS. HICKS: And I think what I'm getting at is I
23 think the reason the legislature wants the judge to be
24 the one who makes the finding is because I think it
25 would be very difficult for a jury to make a special

1 finding in a situation like this because you have to
2 go into what people intended, which is something that
3 we don't otherwise do in our law. And it's very easy
4 for a jury to make a very factual finding of actually
5 possessed a firearm or actually discharged a firearm
6 or actually did this, but now we're asking -- we would
7 have to be asking them -- there are so many different
8 scenarios in which somebody could actually fall under
9 the (1)(b)(1), which is very different from principal
10 theory versus not principal theory or actual
11 possession versus not actual possession.

12 **THE COURT:** Right.

13 **MS. HICKS:** So with my argument this morning, I
14 just want to put that kind of out there in terms of
15 whoever reads this next.

16 But the State's position is that although
17 Your Honor -- of course, we object to Your Honor not
18 making the finding. And it's the State's position
19 that Your Honor should be the one to make the finding;
20 that based on the transcript, the trial in this
21 case -- and Your Honor has already said if you could
22 find it, you would find that he was the one. So we
23 would, of course, agree with that. But recognizing
24 that you're going to be sentencing him under the
25 (1)(B)(2) Section, you can still sentence him to

1 anything that you want to sentence him to.

2 The State, in this case, has not asked for a life
3 sentence, and we're not asking for a life sentence.
4 What we asked for was the 50 years. We asked for that
5 the first time. Even though you're sentencing him
6 under the (1)(b)(2), you can still sentence him to 50
7 years in the Department of Corrections.

8 Now, the interesting thing is -- and we argued
9 this at the last hearing -- it's the State's position
10 that because he is guilty of a capital offense, first
11 degree murder, he would not be entitled to gain time.
12 So the State would be asking that you specify in your
13 sentencing order, whatever your ultimate sentence is,
14 if it's not credit for time served, that it be clear
15 he is not entitled to gain time because the statute
16 does not allow for gain time in this case. So that
17 means that the State still believes that 50 years is
18 an appropriate sentence in this case.

19 As Your Honor just pointed out after defense
20 counsel made their argument, this is a sentencing
21 hearing. And I mentioned this at the first hearing
22 when we did this a couple of months ago. Everything
23 that the defense presented at that hearing a couple of
24 months ago would be very appropriate for the review
25 hearing, but this isn't the review hearing. This is

1 the sentencing hearing. And so the Court -- while we
2 don't have the benefit of a scoresheet because we
3 can't do a scoresheet, we do know that this defendant
4 had a criminal history. This was not his first
5 entrance into the criminal justice system.

6 In fact, Ms. Mills-Uvalle, I believe, was telling
7 me that he actually had previously been direct filed.
8 Even though he was a juvenile committing this crime,
9 he had already been in the adult system. So this was
10 somebody who, by his own admission, had an upbringing
11 that involved a criminal history. He had already had
12 all the chances that the juvenile system presented.
13 He then had the chances that the adult system
14 presented. And then he then decided to go out and
15 commit a carjacking. And during the course of that
16 carjacking, he murdered somebody. He is guilty of
17 capital first degree murder.

18 And he was, like you have already recognized,
19 extraordinarily close to his 18th birthday. We
20 wouldn't be here having this conversation if this
21 murdered had happened three weeks later, or somewhere
22 in that ballpark.

23 So it's the State's position that looking at the
24 facts of the case, looking at his criminal history,
25 and then asking yourself what is an appropriate

1 sentence for somebody who commits first degree murder?
2 And his time in the Department of Corrections, which I
3 believe is somewhere in the ballpark of 20 years at
4 this point, is not enough for first degree murder,
5 because it isn't even what somebody gets nowadays for
6 discharging a firearm, not killing somebody. And you
7 can't not compare crimes. You can't say that when
8 somebody nowadays in 2015 discharges a firearm but
9 doesn't kill somebody, if they -- they get 20 years in
10 the Department of Corrections. If they discharge a
11 firearm and they hit somebody but don't kill that
12 person, they get 25 years in the Department of
13 Corrections.

14 And this man killed somebody. He deserves to go
15 to prison for 50 years, and the Court can then decide.
16 If you sentence him to, quite frankly, anything over
17 credit for time served, the next decision that needs
18 to be made is when is he entitled to his review
19 hearing. And then the next -- there are other
20 decisions that have to also be addressed, which is the
21 State's position: He has not yet begun to serve his
22 sentence on the other crimes.

23 He was sentenced consecutively. So there is an
24 issue where the Court -- whether we address it now or
25 later, an issue that needs to be addressed, because

1 it's not addressed by the juvenile sentencing statute,
2 is, okay, you can resentence him on one crime, but you
3 can't resentence him on the other crimes. And those
4 crimes were consecutive to this. So even if you give
5 him credit time served, even if you -- or if you give
6 him something over and we do the review hearing, we
7 also need to address -- it's the State's position,
8 even if you gave him credit for time served, he now
9 needs to start serving the other sentences on the
10 other crimes he's committed.

11 But with respect to the first degree murder, this
12 is a man who killed somebody. He deserves to go to
13 prison for at least 50 years because we can't --
14 because we're not asking for life. And so although we
15 could give it, we're asking for 50 years in the
16 Department of Corrections, even under section
17 (1) (b) (2).

18 **THE COURT:** And do you agree with me under
19 (1) (b) (2) that Mr. Purdy is entitled to the hearing
20 under 1402 immediately based upon him serving more
21 than 15 years?

22 **MS. HICKS:** Well, I'm actually hesitant to agree
23 with you.

24 **THE COURT:** He's entitled to it. Why are you
25 hesitant?

1 **MS. HICKS:** Only because -- I mean, I think
2 you're ultimately right. Yes. I think it's hard for
3 me to stand here and say he's not, but the concern
4 that I have --

5 **THE COURT:** It shouldn't be hard for you to do
6 that.

7 **MS. HICKS:** I will tell you why, because what the
8 legislature -- this is -- is the Court aware of any
9 other situation where we are using a 2014 statute and
10 applying it to a crime that happened in 1995? This is
11 a statute that the legislature has said, okay,
12 although the statute itself didn't become applicable
13 until 20 years later, we want you to apply it to what
14 happened 20 years ago. Obviously, it's inherently
15 unfair to the State.

16 And what we're now saying is that he committed a
17 crime 20 years ago. We're going to use the statute
18 now. I think a question can be made is he entitled to
19 his review hearing 15 years from today, because today
20 is the day that you are sentencing him pursuant to the
21 statute that's now in place, or is he entitled to his
22 review hearing five years ago because he was
23 originally sentenced 20 years ago? That's why I'm
24 hesitant to necessarily come out and agree that he's
25 entitled to his review hearing five years ago because

1 he's being sentenced today. He's entitled to his
2 original arguments he made that he's entitled to his
3 review hearing 15 years from today.

4 **THE COURT:** Okay. It's my opinion, since I'm
5 sentencing you under (1)(b)(2), that you'd be entitled
6 to a hearing within 15 years from your original
7 sentencing, which makes you entitled now to a hearing
8 under 1402.

9 Mr. McLain, do you need to say anything?

10 **MR. McLAIN:** Yes, Your Honor.

11 You know, inherently unfair? You know, the thing
12 that surprises me, there is no case law on this issue,
13 you know. Your Honor is, you know, faced with very
14 difficult decisions, coming up with the appropriate
15 rulings.

16 Falcon says that a defendant can be sentenced and
17 receive a hearing under the 1401 right away. So I
18 don't know where the State gets their idea that it's
19 going to be 15 years from today.

20 And it is inherently unfair, the situation.

21 Mr. Purdy, according to the United States Supreme
22 Court, was unconstitutionally sentenced to a cruel and
23 unusual punishment, life without parole. That's cruel
24 and unusual. It's inherently unfair. Think about
25 Mr. Purdy's situation of that day when he was

1 sentenced. He had in his mind no opportunity to be
2 released from prison.

3 What did he do? Did he go to the Department of
4 Corrections and raise hell, because he said, look, I'm
5 going to die in here anyways? No. He went ahead
6 there and he tried to better himself, despite getting
7 knocked down by this Court, despite getting knocked
8 down by the District Court of Appeal, despite getting
9 knocked down by the Florida Supreme Court, despite
10 getting knocked down from the Federal District Court,
11 despite being knocked down from the Federal Circuit
12 Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. He's
13 gotten knocked down every single time. And what does
14 he do? He keeps trudging forward. He rehabilitates
15 himself. And that's why we're here today.

16 Inherently unfair? Yes. Think about Mr. Purdy.
17 Is that inherently unfair what he's been through and
18 how he has persevered and how he is in the position
19 right now to be released into society with team
20 players with him, including his family, his fiancée?

21 Five years from now, ten years from now, we're
22 not going to know where Mr. Purdy is and if he's going
23 to have a support system. But today we know. If he's
24 released, he's going to go into society with the best
25 chances to succeed. And that's what the U.S. Supreme

1 Court has said. This is inherently unfair for
2 Mr. Purdy as well, and I would like the Court to know
3 that.

4 **THE COURT:** Mr. Purdy, is there anything you wish
5 to say before I impose sentence or -- first, have you
6 understood everything that's happened thus far?

7 **THE DEFENDANT:** Absolutely, Your Honor.
8 Absolutely.

9 **THE COURT:** Anything else you would like to say
10 to me?

11 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes. I would like to just
12 reiterate, briefly reiterate, my previous testimony,
13 how I'm extremely and sincerely apologetic concerning
14 the situation that happened, as well as contrite.

15 And like I've testified before you, Your Honor, I
16 can't change nothing that happened before. I
17 understand your ruling. I respect your ruling, but I
18 am not a murderer. I didn't kill anybody. I'd like
19 to reiterate that. And I'd like to thank this Court
20 for this rare and unique opportunity to be heard after
21 so many years of being incarcerated. And I thank this
22 Court. Thank you.

23 **THE COURT:** Thank you. In examining 921.1401,
24 which are the factors that I must consider at a
25 sentencing hearing such as this, subparagraph 2 lists

1 ten factors; that your attorney presented witnesses
2 and evidence in order to show that you should be
3 entitled to the least possible sentence that I can
4 sentence you to. I've considered all those factors.

5 They include the nature and circumstance of the
6 offense committed by the defendant.

7 And I've already indicated my opinion of reading
8 the transcript and the evidence, and that this was an
9 armed robbery over rims, and a human being died as a
10 result of it.

11 B is the effect of the crime on the victim's
12 family and the community. The mother of the victim
13 testified, as Mr. McLain pointed out, that she wants
14 you to be released. And when asked why or on her own,
15 she stated it's because she doesn't think you did it.

16 Of course, I disagree with that thought, that if
17 that's the reason she thinks you should be released,
18 then that doesn't carry much weight with this Court,
19 based upon my belief.

20 But setting that aside, the sentence continues,
21 "and on the community." And the effect of a robbery,
22 an armed robbery, and a murder on the community is
23 devastating and is something that, I think,
24 deteriorates our fabric and our community when people
25 take other people's property, when people take other

1 people's property by the use of a threat of death or
2 firearm, and lastly when people murder, take other
3 people's lives.

4 C is your age, which we indicated already what it
5 was at the time, your maturity, your intellectual
6 capacity, your mental and emotional health at the time
7 of the offense.

8 As I recall, you and your brother were living on
9 the streets. Your mother was not taking care of you.
10 You were with relatives when you were with anybody at
11 all. Your peer group became your family. I think
12 that's what led to you committing all the crimes that
13 you committed as a youth.

14 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

15 **THE COURT:** That it was a matter of either not
16 thinking about consequences or wanting to be a part of
17 the group and making decisions to be a part of the
18 group, not realizing what you were doing to other
19 human beings.

20 I've considered that.

21 I've also considered that your brother was in the
22 same circumstance as you, and he was able to make a
23 different decision, maybe just one different decision
24 that allowed him to be a successful, unincarcerated
25 family person. As I recall, he was married with a

1 family.

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

3 THE COURT: And so it might have just been that
4 one more bad decision that you made than he made, but,
5 regardless, he had the same upbringing and he was able
6 to become a productive member of society.

7 D indicates your background, which I've
8 discussed, including your family, home and community
9 environment, which I've discussed, and I'm well aware
10 of.

11 E is the effect, if any, of immaturity,
12 impetuosity, or failure to appreciate risks and
13 consequences of your participation in the offense.

14 You had prior criminal histories. You knew that
15 if you got caught -- and, of course, you were counting
16 on not getting caught when you were stealing these
17 rims. If you got caught, there were consequences. So
18 I've considered that.

19 I don't believe that you were immature or --
20 well, I think you were impetuous, but I don't think
21 that you were immature as to how the system worked
22 when you were three weeks before you turned the age of
23 18.

24 F is the extent of your participation in the
25 offense. I've already addressed that.

1 G is the effect, if any, of familial pressure or
2 peer pressure on your actions. I wasn't presented
3 with any evidence to support that.

4 H is the nature and extent of your prior criminal
5 history. You, by your own admission, have a -- had a
6 violent prior criminal history, which this was just
7 the final part of that. You know that and I know
8 that.

9 I is the effect, if any, of characteristics
10 attributable to your youth on your judgment. You had
11 youth. You were only three weeks away from being an
12 adult, where we wouldn't be here today. The year 18
13 of somebody's life is an arbitrary date. People
14 mature at different times. I would -- I am of the
15 opinion that males mature slower than females.
16 However, just by the arbitrary choosing of year 18 of
17 your life are you entitled to this hearing. Had the
18 legislature said 17 or 16 -- not the legislature. The
19 Supreme Court. And I don't know that there's any
20 empirical evidence that in three weeks you would
21 miraculously be of a mature mind and make logical
22 decisions, but that's what the Supreme Court did.
23 They chose an arbitrary date. And so I don't believe
24 that there's any effect of characteristics
25 attributable to your youth.

1 J is the possibility of rehabilitating the
2 defendant. Interestingly, 20 years ago I wouldn't
3 know the answer to that. Possibly I would say there
4 is no chance of it based upon your criminal history.
5 But we are in a unique position where I can look back
6 and see somebody who when they were told they cannot
7 get their GED, fought and petitioned for that
8 opportunity; somebody, who when they were told they
9 can't get a certification for a professional type
10 license, petitioned and fought to take -- and I
11 believe it was an HVAC certification. Somebody who,
12 even though they knew they were facing life in
13 imprisonment, for some reason decided to better
14 themselves. And I think that "some reason" is the
15 true capabilities that you possess as a human being,
16 not as a person that you were when you were 17 years
17 old or younger, but as a person that you have matured
18 to be.

19 So giving great, the greatest of weight to J, the
20 possibility of rehabilitating you, I will impose the
21 following sentence, with my opinion and understanding
22 that you would be entitled to a hearing under
23 921.1402(2)(c) and that you've already served
24 sufficient time to have that hearing. It's my opinion
25 that there are procedures for you to ask for that

1 hearing, and I intend to not consider the testimony
2 you presented as if we already had that hearing,
3 because I want to give the State an opportunity to
4 appeal my decision in this case.

5 However, when we had that hearing -- because I
6 believe I'm correct in my interpretation of the law,
7 when we had that hearing, under the factors of
8 921.1402(2)(c), I believe that you will have served
9 sufficient time based upon those factors for this
10 offense.

11 Do you understand what I said?

12 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

13 **THE COURT:** Okay. I will sentence you to 40
14 years in the Department of Corrections. You will
15 receive no gain time since this was a capital offense.
16 You will receive credit for all the time that you
17 served up to this date on Count 1.

18 Anything else, State?

19 **MS. HICKS:** I don't believe so, Judge. No, I
20 don't think so.

21 **THE COURT:** Anything else, Mr. McLain, sir?

22 **MR. McLAIN:** Yes, Your Honor.

23 Just for the record, we would be objecting to
24 this Court's determination of gain time. There's
25 nothing in the statute, of the 2014 statute, that

1 precludes him being awarded gain time, and also it's a
2 separation-of-powers argument, as well, between the
3 judicial and the executive branch.

4 **THE COURT:** Isn't it really a moot point since
5 he's entitled to the hearing technically immediately
6 as long as he -- I think he's got to petition for it
7 or request it under the rules, under the statute.

8 **MR. McLAIN:** I guess the problem then becomes,
9 you know, if there's an appeal taken by the State, you
10 know, does that disentitle him to a review right away
11 or does he have to wait until this appeal is
12 finalized? Because that could be -- if they take it
13 all the way to the Florida Supreme Court, which this
14 is an issue of first impression, it's very possible
15 it's two or three years down the road. So, you know,
16 that's one of the concerns. And we want to make sure
17 that he is getting gain time, 65 per percent. That's
18 quite a bit chunk of time out of 40 years.

19 **THE COURT:** Okay.

20 **MR. McLAIN:** And we'd also like the Court to go
21 ahead and make a ruling on the applicability of the
22 1994 guidelines to this offense, as well, which we
23 believe, you know, should be applied, as well, and
24 restrict the Court to a sentence between 94 months and
25 I think it was 157 months.

1 **THE COURT:** Okay. We are here only on Count 1.
2 And so you're asking me to rule on issues regarding a
3 Criminal Punishment Code guideline which addresses
4 Counts 2 and 3. I believe Counts 2 and 3. So I
5 neglect to do so at this time, but you have your
6 record.

7 Mr. Purdy, you have 30 days to appeal the
8 judgment and sentence of this Court. If you wish to
9 appeal, it must be in writing. If you cannot afford
10 an attorney, I will appoint one for you.

11 Do you understand your sentence?

12 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

13 **THE COURT:** And good luck to you.

14 **THE DEFENDANT:** Your Honor, can I have a
15 question, one question? Are we entitled right now at
16 this very moment to ask for judicial review upon the
17 statute that I'm being sentenced upon?

18 **THE COURT:** The statute, as I read it, permits
19 you to petition for that. The hearing? You're
20 talking about the hearing?

21 **THE DEFENDANT:** Exactly.

22 **THE COURT:** The 1402 hearing. It allows you to
23 petition to do so. So I'm requiring that you go
24 through that procedure.

25 **THE DEFENDANT:** Is...

1 **MR. McLAIN:** Your Honor, could I have a second to
2 confer?

3 **THE COURT:** Sure. Yes. Mr. McLain, I'm going to
4 put on the overhead noise so you can have some
5 semblance of privacy.

6 (The defendant and counsel conferred.)

7 **MR. McLAIN:** Your Honor, just one thing, in
8 regards to the other two counts, that those would be
9 run consecutive or the Court does not believe it has
10 discretion to touch those two counts?

11 **THE COURT:** I don't believe I have discretion to
12 touch those two counts, to modify them or to change
13 them, so they are what they are.

14 **MR. McLAIN:** And the second point that we'd like
15 to make is I would like to make an oral motion
16 pursuant to the statute, 921.1402, to have review of
17 his sentence at this time and also for the Court to
18 take judicial notice of the evidence that we presented
19 in support of his rehabilitation.

20 **THE COURT:** Okay. I will not have a hearing at
21 this time.

22 **MR. McLAIN:** Okay.

23 **THE COURT:** Okay.

24 So, Ms. Hicks, Ms. Mills-Uvalle, Mr. McLain,
25 thank you very much for your presentation at the last

1 hearing. It was an excellent job, as well as this
2 hearing.

3 This case has caused me, more than any other case
4 in 33 years of being a member of the Florida Bar, to
5 think out the process, the effect of a murder in our
6 society, and the unbelievable rehabilitation that you
7 have shown and, through your attorney, were able to
8 demonstrate for me at our hearing in the past.

9 Good luck to you.

10 (Proceedings were concluded at 2:50 p.m.)
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4 STATE OF FLORIDA:

5 COUNTY OF ORANGE:

6 I, Shelly Coffey, RPR, Official Court

7 Reporter of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida,

8 do hereby certify, pursuant to Florida Rules of Judicial

9 Administration 2.535(h)(3), that I was authorized to and did

10 report in stenographic shorthand the foregoing proceedings,

11 and that thereafter my stenographic shorthand notes

12 were transcribed to typewritten form by the process

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17 WITNESS my hand this 29th day of December

18 2015, in the City of Orlando, County of Orange,

19 State of Florida.

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Shelly Coffey, RPR

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

APPLICATION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW

COMES NOW Defendant, KENNETH PURDY, by and through undersigned counsel, and files this application for judicial review pursuant to section 921. 1402, Florida Statutes. In support, Mr. Purdy states:

1. On November 18, 2015, this Court sentenced Mr. Purdy pursuant to section 775.082(1)(b)(2), Florida Statutes. This Court determined Mr. Purdy would be entitled to judicial review of his sentence after 15 years of incarceration.

2. Mr. Purdy has been incarcerated for more than 20 years.

3. Mr. Purdy is entitled to immediate judicial review in accordance with section 921.1402, Florida Statutes. *See Falcon v. State*, 162 So. 3d 954, n. 5 (Fla. 2015) (“Because Falcon has already served more than fifteen years of a sentence to her first-degree murder conviction, it is possible, depending on the sentence she ultimately receives on remand, that she will be immediately eligible for a sentence review after being resentenced. However, we leave it to the trial court to resolve any specific issues relating to the application of the new legislation in this case.”).



4. At the sentence review hearing, the court is required to consider enumerated factors to determine whether it is appropriate to modify the juvenile offender's sentence. Fla. Stat. 921.1402(6)(a-i).

5. As indicated by this Court, the evidence presented by Mr. Purdy at resentencing demonstrated to the Court that he has been rehabilitated and is reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society. Due to the Court's findings, an additional hearing on Mr. Purdy's rehabilitation, where evidence could be introduced, would appear unnecessary.

6. Section 921.1402(7), Florida Statutes, provides:

If the court determines at a sentence review hearing that the juvenile offender has been rehabilitated and is reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society, the court shall modify the sentence and impose a term of probation of at least 5 years. If the court determines that the juvenile offender has not demonstrated rehabilitation or is not fit to reenter society, the court shall issue a written order stating the reasons why the sentence is not being modified.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, Kenneth Purdy, respectfully requests this Court:

- (1) grant judicial review of Mr. Purdy's sentence;
- (2) find Mr. Purdy has been rehabilitated and is reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society;
- (3) modify Mr. Purdy's sentence to allow for his immediate release to society while serving 5 years of probation¹;
- (4) grant any such further relief this Court deems just and appropriate.

¹ Mr. Purdy believes the Court has the authority to also modify the sentences for counts 2 and 3, the non-homicide offenses, because they are part of the sentencing scheme. *See United States v. Matos*, 611 F. 3d 31 (1st Cir. 2010); *Sanders v. State*, 698 So. 2d 377 (Fla. 1st DCA 1997). Nevertheless, the Court could modify Count 1 only in a manner to still allow for Mr. Purdy's immediate release to society while on probation.

DATED this 19th day of November, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished electronically via the Florida Courts eFiling Portal to opposing counsel this 19th day of November, 2015.

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SENTENCE
As to Count: 1

The defendant being personally before this court, accompanied by the Defendant's attorney of record, MATTHEW RAUL MCLAIN, Esquire, and having been adjudicated guilty herein, and the court having given the defendant an opportunity to be heard and to offer matters in mitigation of sentence, and to show cause why the defendant should not be sentenced as provided by law, and no cause being shown,

IT IS THE SENTENCE OF THE COURT THAT:

The Defendant is hereby committed to the Department of Corrections.

 The defendant is sentenced as a youthful offender in accordance with section 958.04, Florida Statutes.

TO BE IMPRISONED:

 X For a term of: 20 years, 6 months and 13 days in the Department of Corrections

 For a term of Life.

SPLIT SENTENCE

 Followed by a period of on Community Control under the supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of supervision set forth in a separate order entered herein.

 X Followed by a period of 10 years on Probation under the supervision of the Department of Corrections according to the terms and conditions of supervision set forth in a separate order entered herein.

In the event the defendant is ordered to serve additional split sentences, all incarnation portions shall be satisfied before the defendant begins service of the supervision terms.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS
As to Count: 1

Mandatory/ Minimum Provisions:

Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum mandatory imprisonment provision of section 775.087(2), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Drug Trafficking

It is further ordered that the mandatory minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.135(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

It is further ordered that the Mandatory Minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.135(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.



Controlled Substance Within 1,000 Feet of School

It is further ordered that the 3-year minimum imprisonment provision of section 893.13(1)(e)1, Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Habitual Felony Offender

The defendant is adjudicated a habitual felony offender and has been sentenced to an extended term in accordance with the provisions of section 775.084(4)(a), Florida Statutes. The requisite findings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.

Habitual Violent Felony Offender

The defendant is adjudicated a habitual violent felony offender and has been sentenced to an extended term in accordance with the provisions of section 775.84(4)(b), Florida Statutes. A minimum term of must be served prior to release. The requisite findings by the court are set forth in a separate order or stated on the record in open court.

Law Enforcement Protection Act

It is further ordered that the defendant shall serve a minimum of year(s) before release in accordance with section 775.0823, Florida Statutes.

Capital Offense

It is further ordered that the defendant shall serve no less than 25 years in accordance with the provisions of section 775.082(1), Florida Statutes.

Short-Barreled Rifle, Shotgun, Machine Gun

It is further ordered that the 5-year minimum provisions of section 790.221(2), Florida Statutes, are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Continuing Criminal Enterprise

It is further ordered that the 25-year minimum sentence provisions of section 893.20, Florida Statutes, are hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Taking a Law Enforcement Officer's Firearm

It is further ordered that the 3-year mandatory minimum imprisonment provision of section 775.0857(1), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed for the sentence specified in this count.

Other Provisions:

Retention of Jurisdiction

The Court retains jurisdiction over the defendant pursuant to section 947.16(3), Florida Statutes (1983) for a term of

Jail Credit

X

It is further ordered that the defendant shall be allowed a total of **20 years, 6 months and 13 days in the Department of Corrections** as credit for time incarcerated before imposition of this sentence.

CREDIT FOR TIME SERVED
IN RESENTENCING AFTER
VIOLATION OF PROBATION
OR COMMUNITY CONTROL

___ It is further ordered that the defendant be allowed ___ days time served between date of arrest as a violator following release from prison to the date of resentencing. The Department of Corrections shall apply original jail time credit and shall compute and apply credit for time served and unforfeited gain time previously awarded on case/count _____. (Offences committed before October 1, 1989)

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___ The Court deems the unforfeited gain time previously awarded on the above case/count forfeited under section 948.06(6)

___ The Court allows unforfeited gain time previously awarded on the above case/count (Gain time may be subject to forfeiture by the Department of Corrections under section 944.28(1)).

___ It is further ordered that the defendant be allowed ___ days' time served between date of arrest as a violator following release from prison to the date of resentencing. The Department of Corrections shall apply original jail time credit of ___ (served prior to arrest as violator) and the Department of Corrections shall compute and apply credit for time served on the original DOC sentence only, pursuant to section 921.0017, Florida Statutes. (Offenses committed on or after January 1, 1994)

CONSECUTIVE/ CONCURRENT

___ As to Other Counts:

___ As to Other Cases:

In the event the above sentence is to the Department of Corrections, the Sheriff of Orange County, Florida, is hereby ordered and directed to deliver the defendant to the Department of Corrections at the facility designated by the department together with a copy of this judgment and sentence and any other documents specified by Florida Statute.

The defendant in open court was advised of the legal right to appeal from this sentence by filing notice of appeal within 30 days from this date with the clerk of this court and the defendant's right to assistance of counsel in taking the appeal at the expense of the State on showing of indigence.

Done and Ordered at Orange County, Florida on December 18, 2015

Honorable Judge:



Mark S Blechman

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

ORIGINAL

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant./

CASE NO. 1995-CF-006887-A-O

DIVISION 12

RESENTENCING PROCEEDINGS

BEFORE

THE HONORABLE MARK S. BLECHMAN

In the Orange County Courthouse
Courtroom 12-D
Orlando, Florida 32801
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P R O C E E D I N G S

(The following proceedings commenced on Friday,
December 18, 2015, at 10:34 a.m.)

THE CLERK: 1995-CF-6887, Kenneth Purdy.

THE COURT: Okay. Good morning, sir.

THE DEFENDANT: Good morning, sir. How are you
doing, sir?

THE COURT: I'm fine. Thank you.

Please raise your right hand so the clerk can
place you under oath and get your identity.

KENNETH PURDY,
the defendant herein, testified upon his oath as follows:

THE COURT: Please state your name for the
record.

THE DEFENDANT: Kenneth Purdy.

THE COURT: Thank you.

For the defense?

MR. McLAIN: Matthew McLain for Kenneth Purdy.

THE COURT: Good morning.

For the State?

MS. MILLS-UVALLE: Teri Mills-Uvalle on behalf of
the State, and Kelly Hicks.

THE COURT: Good morning, ladies.

Okay. I have calendared this hearing for a

1 sentence review, pursuant to Florida Statute 921.1402,
2 having already sentenced on November 18th, Mr. Purdy,
3 to 40 years in the Department of Corrections, which
4 provides him the opportunity to have a hearing after
5 15 years. I ruled at that time that -- we had on
6 August 14, 2015, a de facto hearing under 921.1402 and
7 addressed the factors under Paragraph No. 6.

8 I set off this sentencing to give the State an
9 opportunity to appeal my last ruling, if they chose to
10 do so. I did not see a notice of appeal; so I'm
11 prepared to go forward on a sentence modification
12 pursuant to 921.1402.

13 State, is there an appeal pending that I'm
14 unaware of?

15 **MS. MILLS-UVALLE:** No, Your Honor.

16 **THE COURT:** Okay. So with that, is there
17 anything the defense would like to present in
18 mitigation before I impose a modified sentence in this
19 case?

20 **MR. McLAIN:** Your Honor, we would just ask the
21 Court to take judicial notice of the prior proceeding,
22 which was taken place in August, where we introduced
23 the testimony of six witnesses.

24 **THE COURT:** For the record, that would be
25 Rosie Browne with an E at the end; Marco Moten;

1 Paetra, P-a-e-t-r-a, Brownlee; Octavius -- Octavius,
2 O-c-t-a-v-i-u-s, Smith; Sandy Love; Robert Siriani,
3 S-i-r-i-a-n-i; and the defendant, Kenneth Purdy.

4 MR. McLAIN: Yes, Your Honor. That's correct.

5 In addition to that, I do have letters from some
6 of those witnesses, if the Court would like to receive
7 those as well.

8 THE COURT: Are they duplicative?

9 MR. McLAIN: They are duplicative.

10 THE COURT: I don't need to hear that, then. I
11 recall what they said and was affected by what they
12 said. So . . .

13 MR. McLAIN: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 And just to sum up what *Horsley* is about is if a
15 juvenile can show maturity and rehabilitation, he
16 should be afforded an opportunity for release. And
17 the statute requires, if the Court does grant release,
18 5 years' probation, we would be asking for that.

19 THE COURT: Actually, it says "at least 5 years."

20 MR. McLAIN: "At least." Yes, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you very much.

22 State, anything else before I impose sentence?

23 MS. HICKS: Just although the defense hasn't
24 touched on it today, it's the State's position that
25 you only have jurisdiction over Count 1. You can't do

1 anything with respect to Counts 2 and 3 for which he
2 received consecutive sentencing to Count 1. So I
3 believe the only issue would be the probation that I
4 believe is forthcoming from Your Honor would be
5 consecutive to the sentence he still has to serve on
6 Counts 2 and 3.

7 **THE COURT:** I'm not sure how that would work.
8 Mandated to order at least 5 years, and I'm going to
9 impose probation. Actually, in fact, I intend to
10 impose 10 years' probation, which I'm sure Mr. Purdy
11 can do because he has an amazing support staff outside
12 the prison system.

13 But I don't know how the DOC is going to deal
14 with that. I'll let them deal with that. But my
15 intent is to make that occur at the conclusion of the
16 sentence on Count 1. Because part of the sentence on
17 Count 1 -- logically, what the Department of
18 Corrections would do would not have that probation
19 begin until all the incarcerative sentences are
20 served, and I'm not sure how they're going to deal
21 with it. Do you know how they're going to deal with
22 it?

23 **MS. HICKS:** No. But I think the safest thing
24 would be to say that the probation on Count 1 would be
25 consecutive to the sentences on Counts 2 and 3 because

1 then I don't think they have a choice but to make it
2 after he serves his prison sentence on Counts 2 and 3.

3 **THE COURT:** Is that a legal sentence if I'm
4 sentencing someone to prison followed by probation and
5 having a break in there on his sentence? I don't know
6 that that's legal. If you think it's legal, I'll
7 impose that, but I don't believe it's legal.

8 Defense, do you have a position on that?

9 **MR. McLAIN:** Your Honor, I think the Court can
10 craft his sentence where it reduces his current
11 sentence to a date where he could be released today on
12 10 years of probation. So I believe it's 9 years to
13 run consecutive to this count. So the Court could
14 reduce his sentence to -- I guess he's served over
15 20 years --

16 **THE COURT:** 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days.

17 **MR. McLAIN:** Correct. So we can reduce it to
18 10 years and then have that sentence already run out.
19 He can be released on probation. That's what we'd be
20 asking for.

21 And, again, you know, I think the State's running
22 afoul from, you know, what the purpose of the statute
23 is. It's to give this person an opportunity -- to try
24 to make them serve an additional 9 years when he has
25 shown maturity and rehabilitation would run afoul to

1 it.

2 You know, I just think it's real interesting. I
3 did some research on the legislative intent, and I
4 pulled the votes for this statute, and it really
5 surprised me. It was the house of representative.
6 117 yeas, 0 nays, and 2 not votings. Unanimous.

7 The senate was the same thing. It was unanimous
8 without, I think, 2 or 3 people voting. 36 yeas and
9 4 not voting.

10 So there was an overwhelming amount of support to
11 allow juveniles at the time of the offense, and he was
12 a juvenile at the time of both offenses, to go ahead
13 and be released once he's shown maturity and
14 rehabilitation. So we'd ask the Court to craft his
15 sentence to allow his release on rehabilitation today.

16 **COURT DEPUTY:** Put your phones away.

17 **THE COURT:** Okay.

18 **FROM AUDIENCE 1:** I was trying to shut it off,
19 and I don't know how.

20 **FROM AUDIENCE 2:** I was trying to shut it off --

21 **THE COURT:** Okay. That's fine.

22 **MR. McLAIN:** And further to that point,
23 Your Honor, I would also -- in our request for
24 judicial review, we noted a few cases. That's
25 *United States versus Matos*, 611 F.3d 31; *Sanders v.*

1 *State*, 698 So.2d 377. And those cases talk about a
2 sentencing scheme.

3 This is a part of a sentencing scheme that the
4 judge originally imposed, and I think it speaks in
5 volumes that the Court didn't max him out on those
6 other counts. It was 9 years when he could have maxed
7 them out on both of those counts. So we're looking at
8 the sentencing scheme. Mr. Purdy has spent over 7,000
9 days in prison or in jail, and we ask that he be
10 released on the 10 years of probation, ask the Court
11 to craft a sentence to allow that.

12 **THE COURT:** Okay. Ms. Hicks, if you want to
13 continue.

14 **MS. HICKS:** There's no procedural method for you
15 to be able to do that. It's that simple.

16 **THE COURT:** Talk to me about the probation. Are
17 you confident that I could order the probation to
18 begin at the conclusion of all the incarcerative
19 sentence?

20 **MS. HICKS:** I haven't done the research, Judge,
21 but I think that you can -- what -- what is the -- is
22 there a rule that you are thinking of that says you
23 can't do that?

24 **THE COURT:** There's this case law that I'm
25 thinking of, and I can't point to it right now, that

1 says I cannot have --

2 MS. HICKS: Split?

3 THE COURT: -- have a sentence split by
4 incarceration. That's my concern.

5 MS. HICKS: Okay. Well, if you're concerned on
6 that, Judge -- our concern here is less with the
7 probation and more with making sure that Counts 2
8 and 3 are not touched today. We don't believe you
9 have any -- you don't have any way to do that.
10 There's no method by which you can do that. We are
11 only here with respect to Count 1. The new juvenile
12 sentencing statutes only apply to Count 1.

13 If the -- it's interesting that he cites
14 legislative intent. If the legislature intended for a
15 juvenile sentencing statute to be passed that applied
16 to all crimes that juveniles committed, they would
17 have done that, and they didn't. In fact, what they
18 did -- what the legislature could have done was
19 created "This is a juvenile sentencing statute. We --
20 any -- if a -- somebody under the age of 18 commits a
21 crime, whether it's an F-3, F-2, F-1, or capital
22 first-degree murder, this is the sentencing statute
23 that applies to juveniles. Nothing else applies.
24 10-20-Life doesn't apply, fees. Any other sentencing
25 statute doesn't apply. This is how you sentence

1 juveniles." They didn't do that.

2 You have to look at the plain language of the
3 statute. Whenever you are doing statutory
4 interpretation, while you can look at the numbers and
5 how many legislatures voted for what, the courts all
6 say the very first thing you have to look at to look
7 at the legislative intent is the plain language of the
8 statute. The legislatures did not create a juvenile
9 sentencing statute. They actually included the
10 juvenile sentencing procedures into what is arguably
11 the most serious sentencing statute we have because
12 they put it right in there with HFO, HFVO, PRR, and
13 all of those good statutes. So they actually did it,
14 in my opinion, the exact opposite of what they could
15 have done. They didn't say, "This is how you sentence
16 juveniles." They said, "This is what you do when
17 these juveniles commit the most serious offenses."

18 Now, I will say this: Ultimately, the defense
19 may be right. Maybe the intent of the legislature is
20 that somebody like Mr. Purdy who commits multiple
21 crimes should get out after 20 years, even if they get
22 mandatory consecutive sentencing, but they didn't do
23 that. And it's really important to note because
24 today -- this statute became effective in July of
25 2014.

1 And although the courts have said we have to
2 apply it to people like Mr. Purdy who committed their
3 crime 20-something years ago, if you think about
4 somebody right now, if somebody commits a crime today,
5 if they commit -- the example that I oftentimes use is
6 aggravated assault with a firearm. It is an F-3. If
7 they have three separate victims, they will go to
8 prison for 60 years, if they discharge that firearm in
9 front of three different people. That's what the case
10 law says. That's what the statute says. And the
11 legislature has not addressed F-3s as a juvenile.

12 So if a 17-year-old goes out and commits three
13 aggravated assaults with a firearm and they have
14 discharged, they will get 60 years in the Department
15 of Corrections because there is no sentencing statute
16 that applies to specifically them, and the new
17 juvenile statute doesn't apply to them. As a judge,
18 you only have authority to sentence that juvenile to
19 what the sentencing statute said.

20 And if the legislature wanted to amend 10-20-Life
21 and say that it doesn't apply to juveniles or amend
22 the consecutive versus concurrent -- because the
23 legislature has also said that it's the intent of the
24 legislature that people should be sentenced
25 consecutively, and that is exactly what Judge Mihok

1 did in this case. He took the intent of the
2 legislature from back 20 years ago, which is that
3 somebody gets sentenced consecutively, and he did
4 that. And now we're here 20 years later. You have
5 authority over one count. If the legislature wanted
6 you to have authority over the other counts, they
7 would have given that to you because we know this
8 exists. The 10-20-Life statute was amended not too
9 long ago to specifically say, "You get consecutive
10 sentencing when you commit 10-20-Life statute."

11 So the legislature knows that if a kid goes out
12 and commits three F-3s, he's going to prison for 60
13 years. If they want to change that, they may very
14 well change that, and we may very well be back here
15 some day with Mr. Purdy because at some point the
16 legislature says, "Hey, we missed that. We didn't
17 realize that's what's going to happen."

18 But right now the authority you have is over
19 Count 1. You have no authority -- and the only way to
20 modify a sentence is under Florida Rule of Criminal
21 Procedure 3.800, and it says you only have
22 jurisdiction to modify a sentence 60 days after that
23 sentence is imposed. As the defense has pointed out,
24 we are over 7,000 days since that sentence was
25 imposed; so you're a little bit outside your

1 jurisdiction to be able to modify Counts 2 and 3.
2 There is no way for you to change it. He has to do
3 the time on those sentences.

4 **THE COURT:** Thank you, Ms. Hicks.

5 Anything further?

6 **MR. McLAIN:** Yes, Your Honor. Looking at the
7 plain language of the statute in 921.1402,
8 Subsection . . .

9 **THE COURT:** (7)?

10 **MR. McLAIN:** Not (7). It's -- I just had it,
11 Your Honor. I apologize. It's Subsection (d). And
12 that's 775.082 3.c.

13 **THE COURT:** Why do you say under Subsection (d)?

14 **MR. McLAIN:** Subsection --

15 **THE COURT:** (d) would have to be under a number.

16 **MR. McLAIN:** 2.(d).

17 **THE COURT:** 2.(d). Give me a second. Yes.

18 **MR. McLAIN:** That cites to statute 775.082 3.c,
19 and that relates to these nonhomicide offenses. So
20 right in the statute it gives the Court jurisdiction
21 to modify even a nonhomicide offense, and we do
22 believe that this Court, turning to -- to that
23 Subsection (7) this Court just referenced, the Court
24 does have the ability to allow Mr. Purdy to be
25 released on a sentence of at least 5 years' probation.

1 It has authority, and we don't know where the State is
2 coming up with their authority to argue this,
3 especially in light of numerous decisions out of the
4 federal and circuit -- out of the federal circuits and
5 the Florida DCAs that say it's a sentencing scheme, if
6 we look at it.

7 And if we really look at the legislative intent,
8 it's to give these juveniles an opportunity for
9 release. And the Court can go ahead, we believe, and
10 sentence him in a way that he starts serving probation
11 today and prove to the Court that he has matured; he
12 has been rehabilitated. And he knows, if he messes up
13 on probation, he's coming right back to this Court and
14 will go right back to prison, if he messes up. He's
15 not going to do that, we believe. We ask that the
16 Court go ahead and allow his release for at least on
17 10 years' probation, like Your Honor's already said.

18 **THE COURT:** Okay. Ms. Hicks?

19 **MS. HICKS:** You only have -- you only have
20 jurisdiction to review sentences. If the defendant
21 had gotten a life sentence for something the
22 equivalent of a life sentence on Counts 2 or 3, I
23 would agree that they would have filed a motion and
24 you would have had the right to review it. But what
25 the courts have all said -- and I don't have the cites

1 with me right here. But what the courts have said
2 is -- there's been a number of juveniles who have
3 filed motions under the new juvenile sentencing
4 statute, when they get sentenced to 15 years or
5 20 years in prison, and all of the courts have
6 rejected those appeals because they did not receive a
7 life sentence or the equivalent of a life sentence, as
8 we've all seen some courts sentence somebody to
9 90 years and said, "Well, I didn't give you life," and
10 they said, "No. That's a de facto life sentence."
11 9 years is not a de facto life sentence. He got
12 9 years on one count and 9 years on the other.

13 Neither of those are de facto life sentences, and
14 therefore, if the defense had filed a motion, which
15 they did not do, for a review hearing or a
16 modification of the sentence on those two counts, then
17 we'd be having a different discussion. But
18 Issue No. 1, they did not file a motion -- originally,
19 when they filed their motion to have Count 1 -- his
20 sentence on Count 1 -- motion to modify his sentence
21 on Count 1 or motion for a new legal sentence on
22 Count 1, they did not file a motion for a new legal
23 sentence on Counts 2 and 3. If they had done that, we
24 would have appealed that because you can't -- you
25 have -- the first step in all of this is a motion to

1 modify the sentence.

2 What we're here for right now is the review
3 hearing. So they're trying to put the cart before the
4 horse. They're trying to say, "Well, we've never
5 talked about Counts 2 and 3, but now that we've gotten
6 to the review hearing, could you please modify the
7 sentence?" No, you can't. You don't have any
8 jurisdiction. And even if they had filed a motion to
9 modify Counts 2 and 3, one, we would have argued you
10 have no jurisdiction and, two, we would have argued,
11 even under the new juvenile sentencing statute, he did
12 not receive a life or a de facto life sentence on
13 Counts 2 or 3; and therefore you don't have any
14 jurisdiction to change that, even in light of the fact
15 that he was sentenced as a juvenile, because of the
16 sentence that he received.

17 **THE COURT:** Well, the defense actually did
18 present a methodology in which I could impose that by
19 giving, I think, a 10-year sentence on Count 1 and
20 giving credit for the 10 years, which would mean that
21 the remaining -- I think it's a 9-year, 41-day. I
22 don't think it was a straight 9 years. It's just
23 something in my mind's eye has that 41 after that.
24 Let's say it's 9 years for purposes of this discussion
25 to give that consecutive, in which case that would

1 have been served with the 20 years, 6 months, and
2 13 days.

3 So you don't need to respond to that, but the
4 defense gave me a methodology in which to do that, and
5 you're saying there's no way to do that. There is a
6 way to do that, if I wanted to.

7 MS. HICKS: Back in November, but we're here for
8 the review hearing today. You already sentenced him
9 to 40 years, which is why we didn't appeal your
10 sentence back in November. We're here for the review
11 hearing today. You already sentenced him to 40 years.
12 You're here to determine if he gets out now.

13 THE COURT: No -- well, what I'm doing is I'm
14 modifying the sentence. I'm modifying that 40-year
15 sentence.

16 MS. HICKS: Yeah. But the only modification you
17 can make is whether or not he gets out now and then
18 gets probation. You can't say, "I sentenced you to
19 40 years, and now I'm sentencing you to 10 years."
20 We're only here to determine whether or not he gets
21 out at 20 years, and you're modifying what's left of
22 his sentence.

23 THE COURT: Well, why can't I modify what's left
24 of his sentence to instead of saying -- instead of
25 saying 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days to 10 years?

1 **MS. HICKS:** No, no. I very much disagree with
2 that, Your Honor. The purpose of the review hearing
3 is at 20 years to determine whether or not he gets
4 out. It's looking forward, not looking back. We
5 can't --

6 **THE COURT:** But the only way to let him out is to
7 modify the sentence.

8 **MS. HICKS:** I agree.

9 **THE COURT:** So if I'm modifying the sentence,
10 what would preclude me from modifying it to 10 years?
11 Again, you don't need to argue this. I'm just
12 pointing out that you had made a statement that the --
13 there's no vehicle. I think there is a vehicle to do
14 so, as proposed by the defense.

15 Anything else, sir?

16 **MR. McLAIN:** No, Your Honor.

17 **THE COURT:** Okay. And anything you wish to say
18 to me, Mr. Purdy, before I modify your sentence today?

19 **THE DEFENDANT:** Thank you for the opportunity,
20 Your Honor. It's been -- it's been -- it's been a
21 long time, and I just want to thank this Court for the
22 opportunity. I've been given a rare and unique
23 opportunity the last time, and I repeat those words.

24 And I want to thank my lawyers and everything
25 they've done. I mean, you guys are really, really,

1 really, like -- I've never seen anything like it.

2 Thank you. With humility and gratitude, thank you.

3 Thank you, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Okay. There is no doubt that the
5 conduct that you participated in more than 20 years,
6 6 months, and 13 days ago was reprehensible --

7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

8 THE COURT: -- not acceptable in any organized,
9 civilized society --

10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

11 THE COURT: -- and behavior such as that not only
12 wrongs society, but worse than that, it wrongs
13 individuals. And you are in a position, which is
14 shared more and more by young people in our society,
15 and that's not having a stable home environment.

16 The phrase "running in the streets" is commonly
17 used, and from the testimony I heard from your brother
18 is simply that. That's what you were doing. You
19 didn't have a stable home. Your family, in effect,
20 became your peer group, and a peer group is the worst
21 kind of family to act as a role model, and I believe
22 you fell upon that.

23 The fact that your brother was able to achieve
24 success by following the rules of society indicates
25 that you potentially could have done that as well.

1 You made other decisions. You might have both made
2 horrible decisions, and certainly this decision in
3 participating in this robbery was -- was a
4 reprehensible decision that I would hope that you
5 regret.

6 **THE DEFENDANT:** I do. Absolutely. Absolutely.

7 **THE COURT:** I don't know that you do, but I think
8 that you do. And over the rims of a vehicle or over
9 money, it's just -- it's -- it deserves punishment.

10 Interestingly enough, had you been three weeks
11 older, you'd be serving a life sentence, not sitting
12 in front of me, and you and I would never have met.
13 You'd be serving your sentence for the rest of your
14 life. Interestingly enough, had you committed this
15 murder a short time before this -- I'm not sure of the
16 exact date, but your sentence would have been a life
17 sentence with a mandatory minimum 25. Under that
18 system, you would have gotten out in another
19 approximate four and a half years. So it's -- it's
20 the things -- the more things change, the more they're
21 the same. Here we did away with the parole and the
22 25-year mandatory.

23 Here I'm prepared to modify your sentence and
24 modify it to what you've already served. So -- which
25 is close to the 25 years. But it does not mitigate

1 the fact that you're responsible for the death of a
2 human being.

3 I was amazed and affected by his mother coming in
4 here and saying that she wanted you released from
5 prison. I don't know of any other situation where the
6 mother of a person who was killed in his youth would
7 come in and speak on behalf of the murderer, but
8 that's what happened in your case.

9 You also develop relationships outside of prison.
10 You also, against the rules of prison, sought out
11 and obtained your GED certificate, I believe your HVAC
12 certificate as well. Even though you were prohibited
13 by the procedures of the Department of Corrections
14 because you were serving a life sentence and their
15 policy is why waste -- I presume why waste a
16 resource -- a limited resource on somebody who's going
17 to be with us for life. You must have, in your mind,
18 thought on some level, even though you might have had
19 hope of getting released, but thought on some level --
20 you were serving a life prison sentence, and yet you
21 still sought this out. And of all the things, that
22 impressed me possibly more than anything else.

23 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

24 **THE COURT:** Of course, hearing from the other
25 witnesses also affected me, and under the subsections

1 in Paragraph No. 6 of 921.1402, having heard that
2 testimony on August 14, 2015, I believe that you have
3 been rehabilitated, and I believe that -- and I
4 reasonably believe that you are fit to reenter
5 society.

6 I am sure that many people would agree that
7 someone who commits a murder deserves to be warehoused
8 for life, no matter what age they are, even if they're
9 17 years or 16 years. But you are, I think, a good
10 argument against warehousing people for life that
11 commit even reprehensible crimes because you are a
12 different person that you were at age 17, as everybody
13 in this courtroom is. Everybody in this courtroom
14 matures on some level to some extent. I believe, I
15 hope, that you've matured dramatically, and I believe
16 you have, which is why I believe you're fit to reenter
17 society. I believe you have a support system of both
18 professional attorneys and relationships once you
19 reenter society, which gives me hope and confidence
20 that you'll be able to follow the rules of society.

21 My concern is that you have been
22 institutionalized now for half your life, and so it's
23 not going to be an easy task for you. You're going to
24 be given a lot more freedom than you had before, but
25 you're going to have a threat that can be parallel to

1 a parable called the Sword of Damocles. So you're
2 going to have a sword hanging over you of life
3 imprisonment, and you'll be on probation for 10 years,
4 once you're released from incarceration. If you
5 violate probation, you come before me, and I would
6 seriously consider the fact that I made a mistake in
7 finding that you were reasonably rehabilitated and
8 that you were fit to reenter, and I would seriously
9 consider putting you, now an adult, in prison for life
10 having you proven to me that you've made a mistake.

11 So that's what the Sword of Damocles is. Your
12 attorney can explain the exact parable to you. I'm
13 sure they're aware of it. But it's walking around
14 with a threat hanging over your head. So you have the
15 threat of "You must follow the rules of probation."

16 And I assure you, even if you're off probation,
17 you successfully complete it, which I hope you will
18 do, if you were to run afoul of the law in the future,
19 every person that you would appear in front of, every
20 judge, every prosecutor would point out that you
21 should have been serving life in prison, and had
22 Judge Blechman not let you out, you couldn't have
23 committed this crime, and now is the time to put you
24 in prison.

25 **THE DEFENDANT:** Absolutely.

1 **THE COURT:** So you have that burden, which I
2 believe you deserve, based upon your actions, for the
3 rest of your life, not just the 10 years of probation
4 I intend to sentence you to.

5 Having made those statements, having made those
6 findings, after hearing the testimony from August 14,
7 2015, I am going to modify your sentence to that on
8 Count 1 time served, which I calculate as 20 years,
9 6 months, and 13 days.

10 Is that your calculation, defense?

11 **MR. McLAIN:** Your Honor, I calculated it by day;
12 so I don't know the exact translation. But I would
13 trust that that's correct.

14 **THE COURT:** I show that he was arrested on
15 June 6th of 1995 -- actually, arrested June 5, 1995.

16 Does that sound right?

17 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, sir.

18 **THE COURT:** And so by my simple calculations --
19 and I only went to a public school; so my math is
20 dependent upon that -- I came up with that. If I'm
21 wrong in any way, I will modify that.

22 State, any objection to the 20 years'
23 calculation, 6 months, and 13 days?

24 **MS. HICKS:** I do not do math, Judge. We'll rely
25 on Your Honor.

2 Okay. No comments on that; so we're going to go
3 with that.

8 I must sentence you to a period of probation
9 following that. It says a minimum of 5 years. I'm
0 going to sentence you to 10 years of probation.

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

20 MS. HICKS: Mihok.

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1 I'm going to order that you not possess any
2 weapons while you're on probation, specifically
3 firearms, but any weapons whatsoever.

4 State, are there any other conditions that you
5 believe to be appropriate?

6 MS. HICKS: Not with respect to the probation,
7 Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Anything else, defense, that
9 you believe would be appropriate?

10 MR. McLAIN: For probation, no, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Then at this point do you have
12 any questions about the sentence I imposed on Count 1
13 is now modified?

14 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. I have no questions.

15 THE COURT: You do have 30 days to appeal. If
16 you wish to appeal, it must be in writing. If you
17 cannot afford an attorney, I will appoint one for you.

18 Good luck to you, Mr. Purdy.

19 MR. McLAIN: And, Your Honor, before we recess,
20 I'd ask if it's the Court's intent for the 9 years to
21 run consecutive for him to finish out or if it's the
22 Court's intent to --

23 COURT DEPUTY: Outside, please.

24 MR. McLAIN: -- intent to allow his release today
25 on probation.

1 **THE COURT:** Okay. Give me one second so the
2 deputies can maintain order.

3 It is my opinion that I don't have jurisdiction
4 on Counts 2 and 3; so the order entered by Judge Mihok
5 I don't believe I have jurisdiction over. So that's
6 my ruling. And -- and if I'm wrong, I'm let the Fifth
7 tell me that, and I'll take different action.

8 **MR. McLAIN:** Okay. And one final question,
9 Your Honor. In ruling that the 20 years and credit
10 for time served, does that mean the Court is unwilling
11 to modify it to the 10 years to allow his release
12 today?

13 **THE COURT:** Yes.

14 **MR. McLAIN:** Okay.

15 **THE COURT:** Okay?

16 **MR. McLAIN:** Thank you.

17 **THE COURT:** Thank you.

18 (Court was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.)
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I, Heather Jewett, Registered Professional Reporter,
Florida Professional Reporter, Official Court Reporter of
the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida, do hereby certify,
pursuant to Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.535,
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WITNESS my hand this 30th day of December,
2015, in the City of Orlando, County of Orange,
State of Florida.

Heather Jewett

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In the Circuit Court of the
Ninth Judicial Circuit, in and
For Orange County, Florida

State of Florida

Case number: 1995-CF-006887-A-O
Division: Div 12

vs.

KENNETH PURDY

(Corrected order as to correct verblage as to CT.1)

ORDER OF PROBATION

This case came on this day for: Hearing

DEFENDANT APPEARANCE:

KENNETH PURDY Present

COUNSEL APPEARANCE:

Counsel: MATTHEW MCLAIN Present

Asst State Attorney present: Theresa Mills- Uvalle

This cause coming before the Court to be heard, and you, the defendant, being now present before the court, and you having:

001	FIRST DEGREE MURDER	782.04	CAPITAL		
002	ARMED ROBBERY	812.13(2)(A)	FIRST DEGREE FELONY		
003	CARJACKING	812.133(1)(2)(A)	FIRST DEGREE FELONY		

Court
Minutes
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Court:

Modifies Sentence to the following:

CT1) 20 years, 6 months and 13 days in the Department of Corrections with credit for 20 years, 6 months and 13 days' time served (No gain time is permitted)

Followed by:

10 years of state probation

Defendant to report to probation 48 hours upon release.

After initial intake, probation may be transferred to any state.

Defendant NOT to possess weapons or firearms.

All previous monies imposed by Judge Mihok to be paid thru probation at the rate of \$30 monthly. First payment due within 120 days upon release of ALL incarcerations.



CT2 and CT3- Previous Sentence to Remain

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that you shall comply with the following standard conditions of supervision as provided by Florida law:

- (1) You will report to the probation office as directed. Not later than the fifth day of each month, unless otherwise directed, you will make a full and truthful report to your officer on the form provided for that purpose.
- (2) You will pay the State of Florida the amount of \$20.00 per month, as well as 4% surcharge, toward the cost of your supervision in accordance with s. 948.09, F.S., unless otherwise exempted in compliance with Florida Statutes.
- (3) You will pay the State of Florida the amount of \$2.00 per month, to the Training Trust Fund Surcharge in accordance with s. 948.09(1)(a)2, F.S., unless otherwise exempted in compliance with Florida Statutes.
- (4) You will remain in a specified place. You will not change your residence or employment or leave the county of your residence without first procuring the consent of your officer.
- (5) You will not possess, carry or own any firearm. You will not possess, carry, or own any weapons without first procuring the consent of your officer.
- (6) You will live without violating the law. A conviction in a court of law shall not be necessary for such a violation to constitute a violation of your probation/community control.
- (7) You will not associate with any person engaged in any criminal activity.
- (8) You will not use intoxicants to excess or possess any drugs or narcotics unless prescribed by a physician. Nor will you visit places where intoxicants, drugs or other dangerous substances are unlawfully sold, dispensed or used.
- (9) You will work diligently at a lawful occupation, advise your employer of your probation status, and support any dependents to the best of your ability, as directed by your officer.
- (10) You will promptly and truthfully answer all inquiries directed to you by the court or the officer, and allow your officer to visit in your home, at your employment site or elsewhere, and you will comply with all instructions your officer may give you.
- (11) You will pay restitution, court costs, and/or fees in accordance with special conditions imposed or in accordance with the attached orders.
- (12) You will submit to random testing as directed by your officer or the professional staff of the treatment center where you are receiving treatment to determine the presence or use of alcohol or controlled substances.
- (13) You will submit a DNA sample, as directed by your officer, for DNA analysis as prescribed in ss. 943.325 and 948.014, F.S.
- (14) You will report in person within 72 hours of your release from incarceration to the probation office in Orange County, Florida, unless otherwise instructed by the court or department. (This condition applies only if section 3 on the previous page is checked.) Otherwise, you must report immediately to the probation office located at 27 Coburn Ave Orlando, FL 32805 (407) 245-0770.
- (15)

Special Conditions

___ 1. You must undergo Substance Abuse evaluation and, if treatment is deemed necessary, you must successfully complete the treatment, and be responsible for the payment of any costs incurred while receiving said evaluation and treatment, unless waived by the court.

___ You must obtain a Mental Health evaluation and, if treatment is deemed necessary, you must successfully complete the treatment and be responsible for the payment of any costs incurred while receiving said evaluation and treatment, unless waived by the court.

___ You must obtain a Psycho-Sexual evaluation and, if treatment is deemed necessary, you must successfully complete treatment and be responsible for the payment of any costs incurred while receiving said evaluation and treatment, unless waived by the court.

___ 2. You will be required to pay for drug testing unless exempt by the court.

___ 3. You will enter the Department of Corrections Non-Secure Drug Treatment Program or other residential treatment program/Probation Restitution Center for a period of successful completion as approved by your officer. You are to remain until you successfully complete said Program and Aftercare. You are to comply with all rules and regulations of the Program. You shall be confined in the county jail until placement in said program, and if you are confined in the jail, the Sheriff will transport you to said program.

___ 4. You will abstain entirely from the use of alcohol and/or illegal drugs, and you will not associate with anyone who is illegally using drugs or consuming alcohol.

___ 5. You will submit to urinalysis testing on a monthly basis to determine the presence of alcohol or illegal drugs. You will be required to pay for the test unless exempt by the court.

___ 6. You will not visit any establishment where the primary business is the sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages.

___ 7. You will remain at your residence between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. due to a curfew imposed, unless otherwise directed by the court.

___ 8. You will submit electronic monitoring, follow the rules of electronic monitoring and pay the monthly service costs of in the amount of

___ 9. You will not associate with the following person(s) during the period of supervision

___ 10. You will have no contact (direct or indirect) with the victim or the victim's family during the period of supervision.

___ 11. During the period of supervision you will have no contact (direct or indirect) the following person(s).

___ 12. You will maintain full time employment or attend school/vocational school full time or a combination of school/work during the term of your supervision.

___ 13. You will make a good faith effort toward completing basic or functional literacy skills or a high school diploma.

___ 14. You will successfully complete the Probation & Restitution Program, abiding by all rules and regulations.

___ 15. You will attend Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous meetings at least monthly, unless otherwise directed by the court.

___ 16. You must successfully complete Anger Management and be responsible for the payment of any costs incurred while receiving treatment unless waived.

___ 17. You must successfully complete Batterer's Intervention Program and be responsible for the payment of any costs incurred while receiving treatment unless waived.

___ 18. You will attend an HIV/AIDS Awareness Program consisting of a class of not less than two (2) hours or more than four (4) hours in length, the costs for which will be paid by you.

___ 19. You shall submit your person, property, place of residence, vehicle or personal effects to a warrantless search at any time, by any probation or community control officer or any law enforcement officer.

___ 20. If you have been found to have committed a crime on or after October 1, 2008 for the purpose of benefitting, promoting, or furthering the interests of a criminal gang, you are prohibited from knowingly associating with other criminal gang members or associates, except as authorized by law enforcement officials, prosecutorial authorities, or the court, for the purpose of aiding in the investigation of criminal activity.

___ 21. You will successfully complete a Post-adjudicatory treatment-based drug court program, as provided in s.397.334 (3), F.S.

___ 22. Other:

Additional Conditions

___ Do not possess or consume illegal drugs or alcohol

___ Do not drive without valid Driver's License

___ Do not own or possess any firearms or weapons

___ Complete Impulse Control Class

___ Complete DUI Counter Attack School

___ Do not be in the vicinity of alcohol

___ Write a letter of apology

___ No Contact with children under 18 years of age

___ No return to scene of offense

___ Submit to random urinalysis

___ Complete the Victim Awareness Program

___ Forfeit weapon seized in this case

___ You may travel out of county while on probation

___ Defendant must actively seek gainful employment or be enrolled in school full-time.

___ Defendant must take HIV/STD test.

___ The defendant is to complete the Phoenix House In-House treatment program.

___ Defendant not to return to the prostitution mapping zone.

___ Defendant to have no contact with co-defendant(s)

___ Complete community service at non-profit community service.

___ Probation supervision may terminate early upon approval from the Court.

FINES AND COSTS:

All previous monies imposed by Judge Mihok to be paid thru probation at the rate of \$30 monthly. First payment due within 120 days upon release of ALL Incarcerations

Effective for offenders whose crime was committed on or after September 1, 2005, there is hereby imposed, in addition to any other provision in this section, mandatory electronic monitoring as a condition of supervision for those who:

- Are placed on supervision for a violation of chapter 794, s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145 and the unlawful sexual activity involved a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older; or
- Are designated as a sexual predator pursuant to s. 775.21; or
- Has previously been convicted of a violation of chapter 794, s. 800.04(4), (5), or (6), s. 827.071, or s. 847.0145 and the unlawful sexual activity involved a victim 15 years of age or younger and the offender is 18 years of age or older.

You are hereby placed on notice that should you violate your probation or community control, and the conditions set forth in s. 948.063(1) or (2) are satisfied, whether your probation or community control is revoked or not revoked, you shall be placed on electronic monitoring in accordance with F.S. 948.063.

Effective for offenders who are subject to supervision for a crime that was committed on or after May 26, 2010, and who has been convicted at any time of committing, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit, any of the criminal offenses listed in s. 943.0435(1)(a)1.a.(I), or a similar offense in another jurisdiction, against a victim who was under the age of 18 at the time of the offense; the following conditions are imposed in addition to all other conditions:

- (a) A prohibition on visiting schools, child care facilities, parks, and playgrounds, without prior approval from the offender's supervising officer. The court may also designate additional location to protect a victim. The prohibition for the sole purpose of attending a religious service as defined in s. 775.0861 or picking up or dropping off the offender's children, grandchildren at a child care facility or school.
- (b) A prohibition on distributing candy or other items to children on Halloween; wearing a Santa Claus costume, or other costume to appeal to children, on or preceding Christmas; wearing a Easter Bunny costume, or other costume to appeal to children, on or preceding Easter; entertaining at children's parties; or wearing a clown costume; without prior approval from the court.

YOU ARE HEREBY PLACED ON NOTICE that the court may at any time rescind or modify any of the conditions of your probation, or may extend the period of probation as authorized by law, or may discharge you from further supervision. If you violate any of the conditions of your probation, you may be arrested and the court may revoke your probation, adjudicate you guilty if adjudication of guilt was withheld, and impose any sentence that it might have imposed before placing you on probation or require you to serve the balance of the sentence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that when you have been instructed as to the conditions of probation, you shall be released from custody if you are in custody, and if you are at liberty on bond, the sureties thereon shall stand discharged from liability. (This paragraph applies only if section 1 or section 2 is checked.)

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the clerk of this court file this order in the clerk's office and provide certified copies of same to the officer for use in compliance with the requirements of law.

DONE, ORDERED and FILED in Open Court on December 22, 2015
(NUNC PRO TUNC 12/18/2015)

Honorable Judge: _____

Mark S Blechman

Deputy Clerk in Attendance: Mario A., Maria F.
Office of Tiffany M. Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this order and that the conditions have been explained to me and I agree to abide by them.

Defendant _____

Instructed by: _____

Supervising Officer

____ Defendant
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X State Atty
X Probation

X Defense Atty

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

**MOTION TO CORRECT ILLEGAL SENTENCE AND MOTION TO MODIFY
SENTENCE**

COMES NOW, the Defendant, Kenneth Purdy, by and through undersigned counsel, and herby submits this motion to correct illegal sentence and motion to modify sentence pursuant to rules 3.800(b)(1) and (c). In support, Mr. Purdy states:

1. On December 18, 2015, Mr. Purdy was resentenced because he was a juvenile at the time of the convicted crime. For count 1, the Court resentenced Mr. Purdy to 20 years 6 months and 13 days of incarceration. The Court ordered Mr. Purdy be granted credit for 20 years 6 months and 13 days. The Court did not touch the consecutive prison sentences for counts 2 and 3 of 9 years 4 months and 21 days. The counts for 2 and 3 each carried mandatory 3 year prison terms. The mandatory 3 year terms for counts 2 and 3 were stacked.

2. On December 21, 2015, staff at the Department of Corrections reviewed Mr. Purdy's sentence and determined Mr. Purdy was eligible for immediate release. Mr. Purdy was released the evening of December 21, 2015.

3. On December 22, 2015, the Court entered a modified sentence that stated no gain time was to be permitted for count 1.



4. The Department of Corrections determined on December 23, 2015 that it had miscalculated Mr. Purdy's release date. Mr. Purdy was rearrested. The Department of Corrections now has calculated Mr. Purdy's release date for June 30, 2022.

5. Mr. Purdy files this motion to assert that he has been illegally sentenced and that the Court should correct and modify his sentence.

(A) The modified sentence does not comply with the Court's oral pronouncement of sentence.

6. Where a conflict exists between the oral pronouncement of sentence and written sentencing documents, the oral pronouncement controls. *Williams v. State*, 957 So.2d 600, 603 (Fla.2007); *Ashley v. State*, 850 So.2d 1265, 1268 (Fla.2003).

7. At the judicial review hearing, the Court never orally pronounced Mr. Purdy would be precluded from gain time on count 1. Because the modified sentence states no gain time is to be permitted and the oral pronouncement did not, the language contained in the modified sentence must be stricken.

(B) The modified sentence increases Mr. Purdy's sentence in violation of double jeopardy.

8. "Once a sentence has been imposed and the person begins to serve the sentence, that sentence may not be increased without running afoul of double jeopardy principles." *Ashley v. State*, 850 So.2d 1265, 1267 (Fla.2003).

9. At the judicial review hearing, the Court never orally pronounced Mr. Purdy would be precluded from gain time on count 1. The modified sentence increases Mr. Purdy's sentence because it states no gain time is permitted for the over 2 decades Mr. Purdy has been incarcerated.

The language stating that Mr. Purdy is not permitted gain time must be stricken as violating double jeopardy.

(C) The Court lacked jurisdiction to comment on Mr. Purdy's gain time eligibility.

10. *Miller v. State*, 882 So. 2d 480 (Fla. 5th DCA 2006) provides that only the Department of Corrections has the authority to regulate gain time and any comment by a court must be treated as surplusage and stricken. *Miller* also states that even a defendant sentenced to time served is entitled to gain time.

11. *Melvin v. State*, 1D14-0387 (Fla. 1st DCA 2015), states that a defendant is entitled to gain time unless the statute sentenced under specifically precludes it.

12. Undersigned has found two cases involving gain time and juvenile resentencing, *Sullivan v. Jones*, 165 So. 3d 26 (Fla. 1st DCA 2015) and Frederick Bradley (Orange County Case Number 1998-CF-01022)¹. In each case, the defendant was awarded gain time for the time already served.

13. The language stating that Mr. Purdy is not permitted gain time must be stricken because the Court lacked authority to comment on gain time and no statute pertaining to Mr. Purdy's sentence, sections 775.082, 921.1401, and 921.1402, Florida Statutes, precludes Mr. Purdy from receiving gain time.

(D) The Court was required to immediately release Mr. Purdy from prison after finding him rehabilitated and reasonably believed fit to reenter society.

14. Section 921.1402, Florida Statutes, provides "If the court determines at a sentence review hearing that the juvenile offender has been rehabilitated and is reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society, the court shall modify the sentence and impose a term of probation of at least

¹ Mr. Bradley was resentenced as a juvenile offender by the judge presiding over this case.

5 years. If the court determines that the juvenile offender has not demonstrated rehabilitation or is not fit to reenter society, the court shall issue a written order stating the reasons why the sentence is not being modified.” (Emphasis added).

15. At the judicial review hearing, the Court found Mr. Purdy rehabilitated and reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society. Despite these findings, the Court did not modify Mr. Purdy’s sentence to allow for him to be immediately released from prison on at least 5 years of probation.

16. The Court must correct Mr. Purdy’s sentence to reflect his eligibility for immediate release from prison on the ordered 10 years of probation.

(E) The Court illegally stacked the 3 year mandatory prison sentences for counts 2 and 3.

17. A court is not permitted to stack mandatory prison sentences where the offenses occurred during the same criminal episode and the firearm is only discharged once. *Cook v. State*, 775 So. 2d 425 (Fla. 5th DCA 2001).

18. The Court stacked Mr. Purdy’s 3 year mandatory prison sentences for counts 2 and 3. This is illegal because the offenses associated with counts 2 and 3 occurred during the same criminal episode and the firearm was only discharged once. The Court must correct the 3 year mandatory prison sentences for counts 2 and 3 so that they are run concurrent. The current consecutive nature of the sentences for counts 2 and 3 adversely affects Mr. Purdy’s accrual of gain time.

(F) The Court should modify Mr. Purdy’s sentence to allow for his release on the ordered 10 years of probation.

19. For the reasons explained at resentencing and the judicial review hearing and in light of the statutory intent of section 921.1402, Florida Statutes, Mr. Purdy requests the Court, pursuant to Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.800, to modify his sentence in a manner to allow for his immediate release from prison on the ordered 10 years of probation. As found by the Court previously, Mr. Purdy is rehabilitated and reasonably believed to be fit to reenter society. Any further incarceration is unnecessary.

WHEREFORE, Mr. Purdy respectfully requests the Court to enter an order:

1. Striking the language in the modified sentence that prohibits Mr. Purdy from receiving gain time on count 1;
2. Correcting Mr. Purdy's sentence to reflect his eligibility for immediate release from prison on the ordered 10 years of probation;
3. Correcting Mr. Purdy's sentence to run the 3 year mandatory sentences for counts 2 and 3 concurrently;
4. Modifying Mr. Purdy's sentence in a manner to allow for his immediate release from prison on the ordered 10 years of probation; and
5. Affording any other relief deemed just and proper.

DATED this 30th day of December, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Matthew R. McLain

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished electronically via the Florida Courts eFiling Portal to opposing counsel this 30th day of December, 2015.

/s/ Matthew R. McLain

Matthew R. McLain, Esquire

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 1995-CF-6887
DIVISION 12

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,
Defendant.

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO CORRECT ILLEGAL
SENTENCE AND MOTION TO MODIFY SENTENCE

This matter came before the Court for consideration of Defendant Kenneth Purdy's Motion to Correct Illegal Sentence and Motion to Modify Sentence, filed December 30, 2015, pursuant to Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.800(b)(1) and (c).

Procedural History

On September 26, 1997, Defendant was convicted of first-degree felony murder, armed robbery, and armed carjacking. On November 6, 1997, he was sentenced to the following terms in the Department of Corrections: life for the murder and 112.7 months for the robbery and carjacking. The 112.7-month terms were ordered to run concurrent with each other but consecutive to the life sentence. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 725 So. 2d 1137 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 1998).

On July 20, 1999, he filed a Motion for Postconviction Relief alleging nine claims of ineffective assistance of counsel and one claim of trial court error. This Motion was denied on May 24, 2000. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 773 So. 2d 560 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2000).

On April 14, 2004, he filed a second Motion for Postconviction Relief alleging newly discovered evidence in the form of a confession which his co-defendant, Christopher Phillips, gave to a fellow inmate. This Motion was denied on March 31, 2005. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 907 So. 2d 545 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2005).



On July 24, 2006, he filed a "Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence Based on Newly Discovered Evidence," and on October 21, 2008, a Supplement to Motion for Postconviction Relief with Incorporated Memorandum of Law, alleging newly discovered evidence in the form of the sworn affidavit of Jimel Johnson, which purportedly indicated that the gunshot that killed the victim was received after the commission of the armed robbery and carjacking and was not a result of the underlying felonies. The Court conducted an evidentiary hearing on October 21, 2008, and denied this Motion on November 20, 2008. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 43 So. 3d 708 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2010).

On March 29, 2011, he filed a Motion for Postconviction Relief Based on Newly Discovered Evidence, i.e., an investigator's discovery of the gun that Mr. Johnson said was buried by co-defendant Ronnell Mitchell, followed by an Amended Motion on September 23, 2011, which was denied on July 31, 2014. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 158 So. 3d 605 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2015).

On October 9, 2012, he filed a Motion to Correct Illegal Sentence, challenging his life sentence pursuant to *Miller v. Alabama*, 132 S.Ct. 2455 (2012), which was denied on April 3, 2014, based on a finding that *Miller* did not apply retroactively. The Fifth District Court of Appeal per curiam affirmed; *Purdy v. State*, 150 So. 3d 1174 (table) (Fla. 5th DCA 2014).

On May 21, 2015, through counsel, he filed a Successive Verified Motion for Postconviction Relief citing the Florida Supreme Court's opinion in *Falcon v. State*, 162 So. 3d 954 (Fla. 2015), which held that *Miller v. Alabama* does apply retroactively. The Court granted relief on June 15, 2015, and set the matter for resentencing.

On November 18, 2015, the Court resentenced Defendant to 40 years in the Department of Corrections for Count 1, with credit for 2 years, 310 days, and all DOC time served, but ordered that he receive "no gain time." There was no change to the sentences for Counts 2 and 3.

On December 18, 2015, the Court conducted a judicial review hearing and modified the sentence for Count 1 to 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days in the Department of Corrections with credit for 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days time served, and again ordered that "no gain time is permitted," followed by 10 years of probation. There was no change to the sentences for Counts 2 and 3.

On December 21, 2015, Defendant was released from the Department of Corrections. He was booked into the Orange County Jail on December 23, 2015, after the State Attorney's Office contacted the Department of Corrections to advise that Defendant had not fully served his sentence in the above-styled case.

Claim (A): The modified sentence does not comply with the Court's oral pronouncement. He argues that at the judicial review hearing, the Court never orally pronounced that he would be precluded from gain time on Count 1.

This claim lacks merit. At the November 18, 2015, hearing, the Court specifically ordered that Defendant would receive no gain time for Count 1 because it was a capital offense. *See* resentencing transcript, pages 32-33. At the December 18, 2015, hearing, the Court imposed a time-served sentence for Count 1, modifying the sentence to "20 years, 6 months, and 13 days, and specifically give you credit for 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days." *See* review hearing transcript, pages 25-26. Furthermore, the Court clarified that it was not willing to modify the sentence in a manner that would allow Defendant would be released that day. *See* review hearing transcript, pages 27-28.

Claim (B): The modified sentence increases his sentence in violation of double jeopardy. He restates the argument in (a) and argues it increases his sentences because it provides that "no gain time is permitted for the over 2 decades" he has been incarcerated.

This claim lacks merit for the reasons set forth in the ruling on Claim (A). Defendant's sentence was not increased. It was reduced from life to 40 years to "time served of 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days." He would not have been entitled to gain time on the original sentence of life, and the December 18, 2015, modification was intended to be a "time served" sentence, for which gain time would not have been applicable.

Claim (C): The Court lacked jurisdiction to comment on his gain time eligibility. He argues this language must be stricken because only the Department of Corrections has the authority to regulate gain time. In support, he cites *Miller v. State*, 882 So. 2d 480

(Fla. 5th DCA 2006), and *Melvin v. State*, 1D14-0387 (Fla. 1st DCA 2015). He also cites two cases involving gain time and juvenile resentencing, and in both, the defendant was awarded gain time for time already served.

This claim lacks merit for the reasons set forth in the ruling on Claims A and B. Even if the reference to gain time constitutes surplusage, the significant factor is that the sentence imposed on December 18, 2015, was intended to be a “time served” sentence, for which gain time would not have been applicable.

Claim (D): The Court was required to immediately release him from prison after finding him rehabilitated and fit to reenter society.

This claim lacks merit. Defendant was resentenced on Count 1 only. This did not affect his 9-year sentences for Counts 2 and 3, which had been ordered to run consecutive to the life sentence.

Claim E: The Court illegally stacked the 3-year mandatory prison sentences for Counts 2 and 3. He argues the offenses occurred during the same criminal episode and the firearm was discharged only once.

This claim lacks merit. At the original sentencing hearing on November 6, 1997, counsel made this objection but the Court noted that there were two victims. *See* original sentencing transcript, pages 8-9.

Claim F: The Court should modify Defendant’s sentence to allow for his release on the ordered 10 years of probation.

This claim lacks merit. The Court has consistently declined to do so and finds no reason to modify the sentence at this time,

Based on the foregoing, it is ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. The Motion to Correct Illegal Sentence and Motion to Modify Sentence is DENIED.
2. Copies of the following portions of the record are attached to this Order and incorporated by reference: resentencing transcript, pages 32-33; review hearing transcript, pages 25-28.
3. Defendant may file a notice of appeal in writing within 30 days of the date of rendition of this Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at Orlando, Orange County, Florida, this

_____ day of January 2016.

Original signed by:
MARK S. BLECHMAN
Circuit Judge, this

JAN 15 2016

MARK S. BLECHMAN
Circuit Court Judge

and conformed copies
were furnished by
Judicial Assistant

Certificate of Service

I certify that a copy of the foregoing Order has been provided this _____ day of January 2016 via U.S. Mail / hand delivery to Matthew R. McLain, Esquire, Brownstone, P.A., 400 North New York Avenue, Suite 200, Winter Park, Florida 32789; Roberta Alfonso, Assistant County Attorney, Post Office Box 1393, Orlando, Florida 32802-1393; and Kelly B. Hicks, Assistant State Attorney, 415 North Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801.

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1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
2 CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION,
3 IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

4 STATE OF FLORIDA,

5 PLAINTIFF,

6 VS. CASE NO: CR95-6887

7 KENNETH M. PURDY,

8 DEFENDANT.

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10 SENTENCING PROCEEDINGS
11 BEFORE THE HONORABLE

12 A. THOMAS KIBOK

13
14 NOVEMBER 6, 1997
15 REPORTER: SUZANNE HUTSON, RPR
16 ORANGE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
17 ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32801

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APPEARING ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANT

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1 OFFENSES I DON'T THINK PERMIT SENTENCING, OR AT
2 LEAST THE COURT DOESN'T CONSIDER THAT YOUTHFUL
3 OFFENDER SENTENCING IS APPROPRIATE HERE.

4 WITH REGARD TO THE CHARGE OF MURDER IN THE
5 FIRST DEGREE, FELONY MURDER, PURSUANT TO STATUTE,
6 THE COURT IS GOING TO IMPOSE A SENTENCE OF LIFE
7 IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT ELIGIBILITY FOR PAROLE. AND
8 I'M REQUIRED TO IMPOSE THE THREE YEAR MINIMUM
9 MANDATORY SENTENCE BECAUSE OF THE SPECIAL FINDING
10 OF THE JURY THAT MR. PURDY CARRIED A FIREARM.

11 WITH REGARD TO ARMED ROBBERY, COUNT TWO, AND
12 CAR JACKING, COUNT THREE, AS TO EACH OF THOSE TWO
13 OFFENSES, THE COURT WILL SENTENCE MR. PURDY TO
14 112.7 MONTHS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.
15 SENTENCES ON COUNTS TWO AND THREE TO RUN
16 CONCURRENT BUT CONSECUTIVE TO THE LIFE SENTENCE
17 IMPOSED ON COUNT ONE.

18 AS TO EACH OF COUNTS TWO AND THREE, I'LL
19 IMPOSE THE MINIMUM MANDATORY THREE YEAR SENTENCE.
20 AND THE MINIMUM MANDATORY SENTENCE ON COUNTS TWO
21 AND THREE ARE TO RUN CONSECUTIVE TO EACH OTHER.

22 MS. BLAKE: YOUR HONOR, THIS IS ONE CRIMINAL
23 EPISODE WITH A MINIMUM MANDATORY.

24 THE COURT: YOU HAVE TWO SEPARATE VICTIMS,
25 THOUGH.

1 MS. BLACK: TRUE.
2 THE COURT: SO I THINK THE CONSECUTIVE
3 MINIMUM MANDATORIES ARE APPROPRIATE HERE WITH
4 REGARD TO COUNTS TWO AND THREE. AND AGAIN,
5 MR. FURDY WILL BE ADJUDICATED GUILTY WITH REGARD
6 TO THOSE CHARGES. CREDIT FOR TIME SERVED WITH
7 REGARD TO EACH OF THE SENTENCES IMPOSED WILL BE
8 TWO YEARS PLUS 310 DAYS. AND I'LL APPLY THAT TO
9 EACH OF THE SENTENCES, IMPOSE COURT COSTS OF
10 \$255. I'LL IMPOSE RESTITUTION, RESERVE AS TO THE
11 AMOUNT. ANYTHING FURTHER FROM THE STATE?
12 MS. MILLS: NO, YOUR HONOR.
13 THE COURT: FROM THE DEFENSE?
14 MS. BLACK: YES, YOUR HONOR. WOULD YOU FIND
15 MY CLIENT INDIGENT FOR PURPOSES OF APPEAL AND
16 HAVE HIM EXECUTE AN AFFIDAVIT OF INSOLVENCY?
17 THE COURT: YES. LET ME EXPLAIN MR. FURDY'S
18 RIGHT TO APPEAL WHICH HE INDICATES HE DID WANT TO
19 EXERCISE.
20 THE DEFENDANT: YES, SIR.
21 THE COURT: YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL THE
22 JUDGMENT AND SENTENCE OF THE COURT. ANY APPEAL
23 HAS TO BE FILED IN WRITING WITHIN 30 DAYS. IF
24 YOU WANT TO APPEAL AND COULD NOT AFFORD A LAWYER,
25 I WILL APPOINT ONE FOR YOU.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KERSTEN PONDY,

Defendant./

CASE NUMBER: 1995-CF-6887-A-0

DIVISION NUMBER: 12-1

REINTERVIEW HEARING

REPOSE

THE HONORABLE MARK BLANCHARD

In the Orange County Courthouse
Courtroom 12D
Orlando, Florida 32801
November 18, 2015
Shelly Coffey, RPR

A P P E A R A N C E S:

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1 hearing, and I intend to not consider the testimony
2 you presented as if we already had that hearing,
3 because I want to give the State an opportunity to
4 appeal my decision in this case.

5 However, when we had that hearing -- because I
6 believe I'm correct in my interpretation of the law,
7 when we had that hearing, under the factors of
8 921.1402(2)(c), I believe that you will have served
9 sufficient time based upon those factors for this
10 offense.

11 Do you understand what I said?

12 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

13 THE COURT: Okay. I will sentence you to 40
14 years in the Department of Corrections. You will
15 receive no gain time since this was a capital offense.
16 You will receive credit for all the time that you
17 served up to this date on Count 1.

18 Anything else, State?

19 MS. HICKS: I don't believe so, Judge. No, I
20 don't think so.

21 THE COURT: Anything else, Mr. McLain, sir?

22 MR. McLAINE: Yes, Your Honor.

23 Just for the record, we would be objecting to
24 this Court's determination of gain time. There's
25 nothing in the statute, of the 2014 statute, that

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1 precludes him being awarded gain time, and also it's a
2 separation-of-powers argument, as well, between the
3 judicial and the executive branch.

4 THE COURT: Isn't it really a moot point since
5 he's entitled to the hearing technically immediately
6 as long as he -- I think he's got to petition for it
7 or request it under the rules, under the statute.

8 MR. MCRAE: I guess the problem then becomes,
9 you know, if there's an appeal taken by the State, you
10 know, does that disentitle him to a review right away
11 or does he have to wait until this appeal is
12 finalized? Because that could be -- if they take it
13 all the way to the Florida Supreme Court, which this
14 is an issue of first impression, it's very possible
15 it's two or three years down the road. So, you know,
16 that's one of the concerns. And we want to make sure
17 that he is getting gain time, 65 per percent. That's
18 quite a bit chunk of time out of 40 years.

19 THE COURT: Okay.

20 MR. MCRAE: And we'd also like the Court to go
21 ahead and make a ruling on the applicability of the
22 1994 guidelines to this offense, as well, which we
23 believe, you know, should be applied, as well, and
24 restrict the Court to a sentence between 94 months and
25 I think it was 157 months.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

ORIGINAL

CASE NO. 1995-CF-06687-A-O
DIVISION 12

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KENNETH FORDY,

Defendant./

RESSENTENCING PROCEEDINGS

REPORT

THE HONORABLE MARK S. BLACKMAN

In the Orange County Courthouse
Courtroom 12-D
Orlando, Florida 32801
Friday, December 18, 2015
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1 THE COURT: So you have that burden, which I
2 believe you deserve, based upon your actions, for the
3 rest of your life, not just the 10 years of probation
4 I intend to sentence you to.
5 Having made those statements, having made those
6 findings, after hearing the testimony from August 14,
7 2015, I am going to modify your sentence to that on
8 Count 1 time served, which I calculate as 20 years,
9 6 months, and 13 days.

10 Is that your calculation, defense?

11 MR. MCALPIN: Your Honor, I calculated it by day;
12 so I don't know the exact translation. But I would
13 trust that that's correct.

14 THE COURT: I show that he was arrested on
15 June 6th of 1995 -- actually, arrested June 5, 1995.

16 Does that sound right?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

18 THE COURT: And so by my simple calculations --
19 and I only went to a public school; so my math is
20 dependent upon that -- I came up with that. If I'm
21 wrong in any way, I will modify that.

22 State, any objection to the 20 years'
23 calculation, 6 months, and 13 days?

24 MS. RICKS: I do not do math, Judge. We'll rely
25 on Your Honor.

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Court Reporting Services

1 THE COURT: Mario, the clerk?

2 Okay. No comments on that; so we're going to go
3 with that.

4 So we're going to modify your sentence, based
5 upon my findings on Count 1, to 20 years, 6 months,
6 and 13 days, and specifically give you credit for
7 20 years, 6 months, and 13 days in Count 1.

8 I must sentence you to a period of probation
9 following that. It says a minimum of 5 years. I'm
10 going to sentence you to 10 years of probation.

11 Conditions of probation are that you report
12 within 48 hours of your release from all
13 incarceration, that you may be supervised. In any
14 county you choose to reside in, you must first report
15 here in Orange County because this is the sentencing
16 county. Do you understand that?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

18 THE COURT: That you'll pay all monetary
19 obligations previously ordered by Judge . . .

20 MS. RICKS: Mihok.

21 THE COURT: Mihok in this case at a minimum of
22 \$30 per month, and I'll give you 120 days before that
23 first payment is due to give you a chance to obtain
24 employment to make that, what I consider the minimist
25 payment.

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1 I'm going to order that you not possess any
 2 weapons while you're on probation, specifically
 3 firearms, but any weapons whatsoever.
 4 State, are there any other conditions that you
 5 believe to be appropriate?
 6 MS. RICKS: Not with respect to the probation,
 7 Your Honor.
 8 THE COURT: Okay. Anything else, defense, that
 9 you believe would be appropriate?
 10 MR. McLAINE: For probation, no, Your Honor.
 11 THE COURT: Okay. Then at this point do you have
 12 any questions about the sentence I imposed on Count 1
 13 is now modified?
 14 THE DEFENDANT: No, sir. I have no questions.
 15 THE COURT: You do have 30 days to appeal. If
 16 you wish to appeal, it must be in writing. If you
 17 cannot afford an attorney, I will appoint one for you.
 18 Good luck to you, Mr. Purdy.
 19 MR. McLAINE: And, Your Honor, before we recess,
 20 I'd ask if it's the Court's intent for the 9 years to
 21 run consecutive for him to finish out or if it's the
 22 Court's intent to --
 23 COURT DEWEY: Outside, please.
 24 MR. McLAINE: -- intent to allow his release today
 25 on probation.

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1 THE COURT: Okay. Give me one second so the
 2 deputies can maintain order.
 3 It is my opinion that I don't have jurisdiction
 4 on Counts 2 and 3; so the order entered by Judge Mibok
 5 I don't believe I have jurisdiction over. So that's
 6 my ruling. And -- and if I'm wrong, I'm let the Fifth
 7 tell me that, and I'll take different action.
 8 MR. McLAINE: Okay. And one final question,
 9 Your Honor. In ruling that the 20 years and credit
 10 for time served, does that mean the Court is unwilling
 11 to modify it to the 10 years to allow his release
 12 today?
 13 THE COURT: Yes.
 14 MR. McLAINE: Okay.
 15 THE COURT: Okay?
 16 MR. McLAINE: Thank you.
 17 THE COURT: Thank you.
 18 (Court was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.)

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF APPEAL

NOTICE IS GIVEN that Defendant Kenneth Purdy, through undersigned counsel, appeals to the Fifth District Court of Appeal in Daytona Beach, Florida, from the court's order denying motion to correct illegal sentence on filed on January 15, 2016.

DATED this 28th day of January, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 1995-CF-006887-A-O

vs.

KENNETH PURDY,

Defendant.

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPEAL¹

NOTICE IS GIVEN that Defendant Kenneth Purdy, through undersigned counsel, appeals to the Fifth District Court of Appeal in Daytona Beach, Florida, the judicial sentence review proceeding held on December 18, 2015, the new sentence imposed on December 18, 2015, and the court's order denying motion to correct illegal sentence on filed on January 15, 2016.

DATED this 11th day of February, 2016.

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¹ Mr. Purdy's filing of a motion to correct illegal sentence tolled the time to file a notice of appeal. In light of the Fifth District Court of Appeal treating his appeal as a Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.800 summary denial and out of an abundance of caution, Mr. Purdy files this Amended Notice of Appeal to clarify his intent to appeal the judicial sentence review proceeding, the new sentence imposed, and the order denying motion to correct illegal sentence.

EXHIBIT

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished electronically via the Florida Courts eFiling Portal to the State Attorney's Office and via email to crimappDAB@myfloridalegal.com to the Attorney General's Office this 11th day of February, 2016.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via email this 11th day of February, 2016 to the Attorney General's Office in the State of Florida.

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