

>> THE LAST CASE OF THE DAY
IS TAYLOR V. STATE OF
FLORIDA.

>> GOOD MORNING.

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT.
JOHN HAMILTON.

TO ME THE OVERRIDING
PRINCIPAL ERROR THAT THE
COURT MADE IS RATHER OBVIOUS.
THE COURT FAILED TO
APPRECIATE AND RECOGNIZE THAT
THE PROCEEDINGS ON THE 3850
MOTION WERE INDEPENDENT OF
AND ANCILLARY TO THE CRIMINAL
PROSECUTION ITSELF.

THE 3850 MOTION WAS DISPOSED
OF BY THE ORDER THAT GRANTED
IT IN PART AND DENIED IT IN
PART, AND WHEN MR. †TAYLOR
FILED HIS TIMELY MOTION FOR
HEARING DIRECTED TO THAT
ORDER, IT POSTPONED THE
RENDITION OF THAT ORDER FOR
APPELLATE PURPOSES.

THE RESENTENCING WAS NOT PART
OF THE RESOLUTION OF THAT
MOTION.

A RESENTENCING WAS PART OF
THE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION
ITSELF.

IT WAS ADMITTEDLY
NECESSITATED BY THE
DISPOSITION OF THE 3850
MOTION AND THE OUTCOME OF THE
3850 PROCEEDINGS.

BUT IT WAS NOT PART OF THE
PROCEEDINGS ITSELF AND NOT
PART OF THE RESOLUTION OF THE
MOTION ITSELF.

I THINK THAT'S A VERY SIMPLE
AND STRAIGHTFORWARD
EXPLANATION WHY THE FIFTH
DISTRICT ERRORED HERE.

NOW IN THE BRIEF, WE PROVIDE
SOME OTHER POLICY FOR THE
MOST PART, BASIC REASONS, WHY
THE FIFTH DISTRICT'S DECISION
SHOULD BE QUASHED.

NOTING, FOR EXAMPLE THAT THE
APPROACH THE FIFTH DISTRICT

FOLLOWED IN THIS CASE IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE APPROACH THAT THIS COURT TAKES IN THE CAPITAL ARENA WHEN DEALING WITH ORDER GRANTING IN PART OR DENYING IN PART A 3851 MOTION.

WE ALSO NOTE THAT THE FIFTH DISTRICT'S APPROACH WOULD BE HARMFUL TO THE STATE AND RESTRICTING THE STATE'S RIGHTS TO APPEAL IN THE EVENT THE DISPOSITION OF THE 3850 MOTION REQUIRES FURTHER ACTIVITY IN THE TRIAL COURT AND THE UNDERLYING CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AND NOTED THAT THE FIFTH DISTRICT'S POSITION WOULD CREATE BAD PUBLIC POLICY OR BAD APPELLATE PRACTICE POLICY IN THE SENSE THAT IT WOULD CREATE A NEW TYPE OF APPEAL THAT'S CURRENTLY UNKNOWN TO FLORIDA LAW.

ONE THAT'S PARTIALLY GOVERNED BY RULE 1.9140 AND PARTIALLY GOVERNED BY RULE 1.9141, THE SENTENCING BEING THE SUBJECT TO THE 9140 PROCEEDINGS AND THE DISPOSITION OF THE 3850 MOTION GOVERNED BY THE 9.141 PROCEEDINGS AND THE FORMER HAVING CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT AND THE LATTER NOT HAVING CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO COUNSEL AT ALL OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL CONTEXT.

WE ALSO NOTE IN THE BRIEF THAT THERE --- IN THIS CASE, AND UNDER THE PARTICULAR FACTS OF THIS CASE THERE ARE ALTERNATIVE GROUNDS FOR GRANTING RELIEF TO MR. †TAYLOR VACATING THE FIFTH'S DECISION IN ORDER TO DECIDE THE MERITS OF HIS APPEAL IRRESPECTIVE HOW THE COURT RESOLVES THE CERTIFIED CONFLICT, BASED UPON THE MISINFORMATION OR

ERRONEOUS INFORMATION GIVEN TO HIM BY THE TRIAL COURT IN DISPOSING OF BOTH THE 3850 MOTION AND IN THE RESENTENCING ITSELF UNDER THIS COURT'S PRECEDENT GOING BACK TO THE CASE FROM 1975. THAT DOESN'T RESULT IN A LOSS OF YOUR APPELLATE RIGHTS IF YOU'RE EXPRESSLY MISINFORMED BY THE TRIAL COURT, AND THERE WAS ALSO THE BODY OF ADMINISTRATIVE CASE LAW DEALING WITH THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENT IN CHAPTER 120 PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE A.P.A., THAT A PARTY BE TOLD IN THE ORDER ITSELF ABOUT HIS, HER, OR ITS APPELLATE RIGHTS AND THE CASE IS SAYING PRINCIPALLY FROM THE FIRST, BUT THE CASE IS UNIFORMLY SAYING THIS IF THAT LANGUAGE IS NOT THERE THEN ANY APPEAL FROM THAT ORDER IS PREMATURE BECAUSE THERE HAS NOT ACTUALLY BEEN A RENDITION OF THE ORDER AT THAT POINT FOR APPELLATE PURPOSES, AND THE SAME PRINCIPLE WOULD APPLY HERE AS WELL BECAUSE OF THE WAY THE TRIAL COURT MISADVISED OR FAILED TO ADVISE MR.†TAYLOR AS TO HIS PROPER APPELLATE RIGHTS, AT LEAST IF THE FIFTH DCA WERE CORRECT.

I'LL SAVE THE REST OF MY TIME FOR REBUTTAL UNLESS THERE ARE QUESTIONS AT THIS POINT.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

>> MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT, I'M WESLEY HEIDT, AND I REPRESENT THE STATE IN THIS CASE.

THERE IS REALLY TWO ISSUES, THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION OF WHAT'S THE TRIGGER, WHAT'S THE PROPER FINAL RESOLUTION,

AND THAT'S THE CONFLICT
BETWEEN THE FIFTH AND SECOND
AND THE FIRST AND THE FACTS
SPECIFIC TO THE DEFENDANT,
THE PETITIONER, LAMONT
TAYLOR.

AS TO THE BIG PICTURE
QUESTION BEFORE US,
PETITIONER DOES OFFER POINTS
THAT IT'S CIVIL.

IT'S NOT.

IT'S QUASI-CRIMINAL, AND NO
MATTER WHAT LABEL YOU PUT
UPON 3850, IT DOESN'T RESOLVE
THE QUESTION WHAT TRIGGERS
THE APPEAL.

DEATH CASES, AS SAID IN OUR
BRIEF, ARE COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT.

3851 HAS A COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT PROCEDURE.

IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH
THIS.

AS FAR AS THE ADVERSE EFFECT
ON THE STATE, THE STATE'S
RIGHTS TO APPEALS ARE SET OUT
IN THE STATUTE.

WE HAVE CERTAIN INTERLOCUTORY
RIGHTS.

>> THIS CASE HAS SORT OF A
RING TO IT.

I GOTCHA.

I THINK THAT IS SORT OF A --
WHETHER CAN YOU JUMP THROUGH
THIS LITTLE NARROW PERIOD OR
THIS LITTLE NARROW COMMA,
THAT'S WHAT THE OVERALL
PICTURE IS.

IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S, WOW, THIS
CAN HAPPEN BECAUSE THEY DON'T
HAVE COUNSEL, AND EVEN IF AN
EXPERIENCED COUNSEL GETS
AHOLD OF IT, IT SEEMS LIKE
THIS IS WHAT YOU WOULD DO.

SO I THINK YOU NEED TO
APPROACH THAT AS WELL AS YOU
APPROACH THIS.

YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M
SAYING.

>> I DO.

AND AGAIN WITH THE BIG PICTURE, THE ONLY PART AND AS ACKNOWLEDGED IN OUR BRIEF, THE ONLY CONCERN THE STATE WOULD HAVE -- WOULD BE CONCERNED WITH HYBRID APPEAL. 3850 HAS HYBRID APPEALS. WHEN YOU HAVE INITIAL DENIAL, AS IN THIS CASE, SUMMARY DENIAL, WE DENIED TWO CLAIMS. TRIAL COURT LOOKED AT THE FOUR INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE CLAIMS AND SET A HEARING, THAT ORDER HAS BEEN SET OUT IN RULE AND BY CASE LAW PREVIOUSLY AS BEING NONAPPEALABLE.

THEN WE HAVE THE HEARING. AT THAT HEARING, WE DETERMINE THROUGH AN ALLEGATION OF INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE THAT WE HAVE A SENTENCING ISSUE. I'VE REVIEWED HUNDREDS OF 3850 AND IF THERE'S A SENTENCING ISSUE BROUGHT IN THE 3850'S, TRIAL COURTS WILL ADDRESS THE 3850.

HE COULD -- ARGUABLY COULD HAVE DONE IT THAT DAY. DEFENDANT DID NOT HAVE COUNSEL.

HE COULD HAVE SET IT FOR THE AFTERNOON.

IF YOU FILE AN APPEAL AND TAKE THE APPROACH OF A SECOND IN THAT SITUATION WITH THE INITIAL APPEAL OF THE ORDER DIVEST ORDER FOR THE RESENTENCING?

IF RELATED, IT WOULD NOT. IF THEY'RE NOT RELATED, THEN HOW DID IT EVOLVE OUT OF 3850?

ALL THE FIFTH HELD WAS THEY'RE RELATED.

IF THEY'RE RELATED, LET'S TRIGGER THE APPEAL FROM THE SENTENCING WHICH CAME A COUPLE WEEKS LATER.

THE DEFENDANT SEEMED TO

UNDERSTAND THAT IN THIS CASE,
BACK TO THE DEFENDANT
HIMSELF.

WHEN YOU LOOK AT NOTICE OF
APPEAL AFTER THE
RESENTENCING, APPEAL SAYS
9141.

9141 IS THE TRIGGER FOR THE
POST-CONVICTION APPEAL.
THE CLERK'S OFFICE IN THAT
APPELLATE RECORD PUT THE
ENTIRE 3850.

THERE'S THE MOTION FOR
PROPOSED CONVICTION RELIEF,
INITIAL ORDER, EVIDENTIARY
HEARING, THE ORDER AFTERWARDS
AND THE RESENTENCING.
HE HAD COUNSEL IN THAT
APPEAL.

COUNSEL RAISED A TANGENTIAL
SENTENCING ISSUE ARGUING THE
FACT THAT THE DEFENDANT HAD
GOTTEN OVER A YEAR ON
MISDEMEANOR, COUNT FIVE WAS
POSSESSION OF DRUG
PARAPHERNALIA.

IN THIS INSTANCE, THIS
COMPLETELY IS RELATED AND ALL
THE FIFTH SAID WE DON'T WANT
PIECEMEAL LITIGATION, WHICH
IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
POST-CONVICTION CASE LAW.

IF YOU TAKE THE APPROACH OF
THE SECOND -- AND I LOOKED AT
BOTH POSSIBILITIES -- YOU'RE
GOING TO GET SPLINTERED
APPEALS, OR APPEALS THAT ARE
LATER CONSOLIDATED AND PUT
MORE OF A BURDEN ON THE
DEFENDANT.

THE SIMPLICITY OF THE FIFTH'S
APPROACH, IF IT'S RELATED
WAIT AND BRING ONE APPEAL.
THAT'S WHAT THE FIFTH
REQUIRED IN SERVENO IN 2001.
THAT'S WHAT THE CLERK'S
OFFICE DOES IN THIS CASE, THE
DEFENDANT SEEMED TO
UNDERSTAND THIS WAS A 9141
AND TRIGGERED APPEAL IN THIS

CASE, SO IT CAME UP UNDER THE FIFTH'S JURISDICTIONAL LAW OVER THE FIFTH'S CASE LAW IN THIS AREA CORRECTLY.

THEN HE GOES BACK AND -- OVER TWO YEARS LATER AND LOOKS AT THIS.

IT ALMOST LOOKS LIKE THE DEFENDANT IS TRYING TO HAVE CAKE AND EAT IT, TOO.

HE REVISITS THE APPEAL SITTING THERE.

IF IT'S RELATED, IT SHOULD HAVE COME UP IN THE APPEAL. AND IT'S IN THAT APPEAL FROM THE RESENTENCING.

IF IT'S UNRELATED, WHY DID HE LET IT LANGUISH FOR OVER 2+1/2 YEARS?

WHY NOT PUT A BURDEN TO RESOLVE IT, IF THEY'RE NOT RELATED, YOU CAN HAVE JURISDICTION IN THE TRIAL COURT.

AND SO MATTERS RELATED TO 3850 CAN COME UP AND CAN YOU GO BACK AND REVISIT A 3800. IF THEY'RE RELATED, WE WANT RESOLUTION, THESE WERE RELATED, THE CLAIM OF THE RESENTENCING CAME COMPLETELY IN AND OUT OF INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE COUNSEL CLAIM. THE FIFTH SAID LET'S BRING IT UP AS ONE APPEAL.

IT CAME UP WITH THE PRESENTATION OF THE APPELLATE RECORD AS ONE APPEAL HERE, HAD COUNSEL IN THE APPEAL AND COUNSEL RAISED THE SENTENCING ISSUE, AND TRIES TO REVISIT THE HEARING AND THE TRIAL COURT SAYS TOO LATE.

I GUESS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT APPEARS FROM THE RECORD, IT NEVER HAD BEEN FILED OR PRESENTED.

>> THE TRIAL COURT TOLD HIM.

>> THE TRIAL COURT TOLD HIM THAT?

>> THAT THE ORDER WAS AN APPEALABLE FINAL ORDER.
>> THE ORDER THAT CAME OUT OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING, HE SAID THIS IS FINAL AVAILABLE APPEALABLE ORDER, THAT WOULD BE AN INCORRECT STATEMENT. BUT HE APPEALED.
>> WELL, I UNDERSTAND.
>> AND HE GOT AN APPEAL OUT OF THAT AND THAT STATEMENT DOES NOT CREATE JURISDICTION, UNDER THE LAW OF THE FIFTH. IF YOU LOOK AT LAW OF SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS THAT'S THE APPEALABLE ORDER. IF YOU TAKE THE LOGIC OF THE PETITIONER, HIS REHEARING WERE TOLD FOR TWO YEARS, IF THEY'RE RELATED, BRING THEM TOGETHER, IF YOU LOOK AT THE MERIT STATE POSITION, THERE WOULD BE NONE, THE CONFLICT OF THE BETTER APPROACH. I DO A LOT OF FEDERAL HABEAS PRACTICE, AND BRINGING -- IF YOU ALLOW A SEPARATE -- BIFURCATED OR SEPARATED BRANCH APPEAL, YOU KNOW, THE SECOND SEEMS TO BE -- IF YOU LOOK AT THE CASE OF THE SECOND, IT HAS ONE SENTENCE THAT ADDRESSES THAT. IT WAS A THROW-IN SENTENCE THAT DID NOT ANALYZE. THAT THE FIFTH'S OPINION HAS GONE INTO DETAIL AS TO THE BETTER APPROACH HERE, BUT IF YOU ALLOW A SEPARATE APPEAL AND THEY'RE NOT TRAVELING TOGETHER AND NOT CONSOLIDATED AND RESENTENCING GOES BACK FOR YET ANOTHER SENTENCING, THE POST-CONVICTION THEN HAS ISSUE RELATED TO THE TRIAL. THIS WOULD GO ON FOREVER. THE APPROACH OF FIFTH GIVES US ONE SIMPLE APPEAL. IT GIVES US FINALITY, AND THE DEFENDANT CAN GO TO FEDERAL

COURT AND SEEK WHAT RELIEF IS APPROPRIATE THERE.

THE STATE'S CONCERN WOULD BE TAKING THE APPROACH OF THE SECOND ACTUALLY HURTS THE CLERK'S OFFICE, THE DEFENDANT ULTIMATELY, AND THE COMPLETION OF JUDICIAL PROCESS OF RESOLVING THIS.

AS TO THE DEFENDANT, HE WAS TOLD HE HAD A RIGHT TO APPEAL, THE TRIAL COURT REVISITED THE HEARING AND DENIED THE MERITS.

UNDER THE LAW OF THE SECOND, HE SHOULD HAVE APPEALED FROM THAT ORDER.

FROM THE LAW OF THE FIFTH, SHOULD HAVE APPEALED FROM THE FIFTH OF THE RESENTENCING, HE FILED APPEAL AND IN THAT APPEAL, HE -- THE ENTIRE POST-CONVICTION RECORD IS THERE, HE HAD COUNSEL WHICH A LOT OF POST-CONVICTION DEFENDANTS WILL NOT.

AND WITH THE COUNSEL THAT WAS THERE, HE ELECTED TO RAISE THE ISSUE, HE HAD THE EVIDENTIARY HEARING BEFORE HIM IN THE APPELLATE RECORD. HE LIKES TO RAISE THE ISSUE AND FILES A PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AS TO HOW HE RAISED THE SENTENCING ISSUE.

>> DOESN'T OUR -- NOW WITH THE NEW AMENDMENTS, THE RULES, DOESN'T THAT CLARIFY THAT THE PROCEDURE THAT THE DEFENDANT FOLLOWED IS THE CORRECT PROCEDURE?

>> AND AGAIN, IT'S NOT CLEAR FROM THIS RECORD WHAT PROCEDURE THE DEFENDANT FOLLOWED.

>> THE PROCEDURE WAS HE FILED A MOTION FOR REHEARING AS TO THE POST-CONVICTION.

>> CORRECT.

>> IT WAS A FINAL ORDER, IT

WASN'T RULED ON.
HE WAS SENTENCED SEPARATELY.
THE ORDER SAID, YOU HAVE 30
DAYS TO APPEAL THAT SENTENCE.
HE DID THAT, AND THEN HE CAME
BACK AND TOOK THE -- AND
ASKED THEM TO RULE ON THE
MOTION FOR REHEARING.
IS THAT NOT WHAT HAPPENED?
HAVE I STATED THE -- THAT HE
FILED THE MOTION FOR A
HEARING.
>> HE DID.
>> THAT WAS NOT RULED ON.
I ASSUME HE WAS IN PRISON, SO
IT MIGHT BE --
>> HE WAS TRANSPORTED FOR THE
HEARING.
HE WAS PROBABLY IN PRISON.
>> THE MOTION FOR REHEARING,
HE COULDN'T SAY JUDGE.
>> RIGHT.
>> THEN HE'S SENTENCED.
>> CORRECT.
THAT OCCURRED IN ABOUT TWO
WEEKS.
>> SO NOW HE APPEALS ON THE
RESENTENCING.
>> CITING 9141 WHICH IS THE
POST-CONVICTION RULE, BUT
YES.
>> AGAIN, HE THEN COMES BACK
AND SAYS, PLEASE RULE ON MY
MOTION FOR REHEARING.
>> WHICH YOU'VE BEEN PINNING
FOR THREE YEARS.
>> I UNDERSTAND THAT, I'M NOT
TALKING ABOUT WHETHER IT'S
UNTIMELY.
THE JUDGE DENIES THE MOTION
FOR REHEARING.
>> JUST A SECOND, YES.
>> AND THEN HE THEN FILES
APPEAL FROM THAT.
>> THAT IS HOW HE -- IN THE
FIFTH.
>> IS THAT NOT SIMILAR OR THE
SAME AS WHAT WE ARE NOW
SAYING IS TO BE DONE UNDER
THE RULES AS AMENDED THIS

PAST YEAR?

>> HAVING SOME FINALITY HERE,
BUT THE FIFTH'S APPROACH, I
MEAN, WHAT'S THE FINAL
POSTCONVICTION EVENT, THE FINAL
RESOLUTION?

THE POSTCONVICTION OF
INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE LED TO
THE SENTENCING A COUPLE WEEKS
LATER.

>> BUT IF WE UPHOLD WHAT THE
FIFTH DID, WE WOULD HAVE TO
CHANGE THE RULES THAT WE JUST
ADOPTED.

>> I -- THE RULE SAYS IF YOU
HAVE A RESENTENCING RELATED TO
AN INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE --

>> I THINK IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO
GO BACK THAT IT WAS ACTUALLY
ADDRESSED, TO ADDRESS ANY
CONFUSION THAT WHERE THERE WAS
RESENTENCING, THAT THAT WAS A
SEPARATE EVENT FROM THE DENIAL
OF POSTCONVICTION RELIEF SO THAT
THOSE WERE TWO SEPARATE EVENTS.

>> WELL, ADMITTEDLY, THE
APPLICATION OF THE AMENDED RULE
WAS NOT ADDRESSED BY THE
FIFTH --

>> NO, NO, BECAUSE IT PROBABLY
WASN'T THERE.

WE'RE JUST TRYING TO MAKE SURE
THAT WE'VE GOT UNIFORM
PROCEDURES --

>> WHICH IS WHAT WE ASKED FOR,
FOR IT TO BE CLARIFIED IN THE
RULES.

>> BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T ADDRESS
THE RULE IN YOUR BRIEF.

>> CORRECT.

>> ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE
RULE?

>> MOST OF IT, BUT I DID NOT
KNOW IT PRECLUDED THE APPEAL FOR
THE RESENTENCING.

MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THE APPEAL
WOULD COME FROM WHATEVER'S
FINAL.

OUR ARGUMENT WOULD BE THE FINAL
RESOLUTION OF THE POSTCONVICTION

EVENT WOULD BE THE RESENTENCING WHICH WOULD --

>> YOU WOULD WAIT -- SO YOU WOULD HAVE HAD HIM NOT WAIT, WOULD HAVE HAD HIM APPEAL? WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE RESENTENCING?

>> HE WOULD BE RESENTENCED AND APPEALED, WHICH IS WHAT HAPPENED.

>> IF -- SO WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS AT THAT TIME AND THE MOTION FOR REHEARING WOULD BE ABANDONED?

>> CORRECT.

>> BUT IF THE JUDGE TELLS HIM AT RESENTENCING YOU'VE GOT 30 DAYS TO APPEAL, HE'S SUPPOSED TO KNOW THEN TO SAY BUT, PLEASE, FIRST RULE ON MY MOTION FOR REHEARING --

>> ANYTIME YOU HAVE A PENDING MOTION FOR REHEARING THAT'S RELATED -- AND, AGAIN, IT'S EITHER RELATED AND IT'S OUT OF A POSTCONVICTION MOTION, OR IT'S NOT AND THEN YOU'RE SPLINTERING A POSTCONVICTION PROCEEDING THAT'S GOING TO BE ENDLESS. THIS RESENTENCING CAME OUT OF AN ALLEGATION OF INEFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE FOR MISADVICE AS TO DOUBLE JEOPARDY AS TO POSSESSION AND CONSPIRACY TO TRAFFIC. THE STATE INITIALLY, IN THE ORIGINAL PLEA, AGREED TO NO PROS THE PRESENTATION AND MISTAKENLY NO PROS-ED THE PENALTY. WHEN THIS WAS DISCOVERED AT THE EVIDENTIARY HEARING, WE COULD HAVE CORRECTED IT THERE, WOULD HAVE POTENTIALLY SOLVED THE PROBLEM.

THEY SET IT FOR A COUPLE WEEKS LATER, APPOINT HIM COUNSEL, AND AT THAT RESENTENCING --

>> DID A PRETTY GOOD JOB.

THEY GOT THE SENTENCE --

>> IT CHANGED THE SCORE SHEET. HE WENT FROM 22 TO 15, MINIMUM

MANDATORY FOR THE TRAFFICKING.
SO FAR, YES, HE'S GONE FROM 22
TO 15 IN THAT INSTANCE.

BUT WHEN YOU LOOK AT THAT
APPEAL, YES, IF YOU HAVE A
HEARING THAT'S RELATED, YOU
ABANDON IT.

THE STATE'S POSITION IS BY
FILING THAT NOTICE OF APPEAL
AND, AGAIN, THE DEFENDANT SEEMED
TO UNDERSTAND THIS WAS A 914 1.
THE CLERK'S OFFICE PROVIDED THE
ENTIRE APPELLATE RECORD IN THAT
REGARD, AND THE POSTCONVICTION
RECORD CAME OUT OF THAT.

AND THAT WOULD BE CONSISTENT
WITH THE TEN-PLUS,
TEN-YEARS-PLUS LAW OF THE FIFTH
DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL.
AND I WOULD -- I MEAN, THERE ARE
FACTUAL SCENARIOS UNDER THE
FIFTH'S CASE LAW THAT WOULD
CAUSE SOME CONCERNS.

BUT, AGAIN, RECOGNIZE THE FACT
THAT THE PETITIONER'S POSITION
OF THESE ARE COMPLETELY
UNRELATED.

IF THERE'S A SENTENCING ERROR
THAT COMES UP POTENTIALLY, THAT
THE JUDGE MAY THEN AT THAT POINT
IMPOSE TIME SERVED.

>> I DON'T THINK WE CAN DECIDE
THIS CASE BASED ON HOW CLOSELY
RELATED THEY ARE BECAUSE
OTHERWISE -- WELL, WE WANT, WE
WANT THIS TO BE, IF POSSIBLE, AS
SIMPLE AS CAN BE.

>> WELL, AND I THINK THE FIFTH'S
APPROACH IS SIMPLER.

I AGREE.

THE RELATED PART IS THE
SENTENCING CAME OUT OF THE
POSTCONVICTION.

WE MAKE THESE DECISIONS
REGULARLY.

IF THERE'S A 3850 AND THEN YOU
FILE ANOTHER 3850 BRIEF ON A
DIFFERENT, NEWLY-DISCOVERED
CLAIM, YOU DON'T HAVE
JURISDICTION IN THE TRIAL COURT

UNTIL THE 3850 APPEAL IS
RESOLVED IF THEY'RE RELATED.
IF THE 3800 COMES FORWARD AND IS
COMPLETELY UNRELATED -- I'M
SERVING FIVE YEARS ON A
MISDEMEANOR, SOMETHING LIKE
THAT -- WHILE YOU'VE GOT A
POSTCONVICTION APPEAL PENDING,
THEN THE TRIAL COURT WOULD
ARGUABLY HAVE JURISDICTION.
THIS SENTENCING CAME OUT OF THE
POSTCONVICTION.

SINCE IT'S RELATED, WE SAY BRING
THE APPEAL OUT OF THAT.

AND THE BEST ARGUMENT WOULD BE
IT CREATED SOME TYPE OF HYBRID
APPEAL.

WE ALREADY HAVE THIS NONSUMMARY.
THE CASE CITED THE CASES.

IT'S INTERESTING, WHEN YOU LOOK
AT THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD,
FOURTH AND FIFTH, WHAT THEY DO
WITH SUMMARIES.

IF YOU HAVE A HEARING, IF
COUNSEL FILES A BRIEF, WHAT
HAPPENS IN THOSE INSTANCES?
SOME OF THE DIFFERENCES THERE
ARE PRO SE.

BUT IN THIS INSTANCE HE HAD AN
ATTORNEY, AND IT CAME UP.

AS TO THE BIG PICTURE, I THINK
THE FIFTH'S APPROACH IS SIMPLER,
BUT IF THE RULES COMMITTEE HAS
ALREADY ADDRESSED THAT, THEN
THAT WOULD RESOLVE THAT.

AND WE THINK THE DEFENDANT
HIMSELF -- WELL, AGAIN, IF YOU
LOOK AT THE APPROACH TAKEN BY
THE SECOND AND APPEAL THE ORDER
THAT SAYS IT'S APPEALABLE, HE
DIDN'T DO THAT PROPERLY EITHER.
HE COMES UP FROM THAT PROCESS
AND WAITS OVER TWO AND A HALF
YEARS.

WHEN THE MANDATE COMES TO THE
RESENTENCING IF THAT IN THEORY
RETURNS IT BACK TO THE TRIAL
COURT, HE WAITED OVER 100 DAYS
THERE.

WHAT HAPPENS IF HE DOESN'T WAIT

100 DAYS, HE WAITS TWO OR THREE YEARS?

PETITIONER SEEMS TO TREAT WITH LIGHT REGARD THE MANDAMUS.

I CAN REPRESENT TO THE COURT THAT DEFENDANTS OFTEN HAVE --

>> WE CAN CONCUR WITH THAT.

[LAUGHTER]

>> IF IT'S SITTING THERE TWO YEARS, YES.

IF THEY'RE UNREPRESENTED, MAKE THE TRIAL COURT RULE, MOVE IT FORWARD PRO SE OR NOT, AND THE DEFENDANT DID NONE OF THE ABOVE. AND WE FEEL THE FIFTH'S DECISION SHOULD BE AFFIRMED.

SO THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

REBUTTAL?

>> JUST A FEW POINTS.

YES, THE STATE DID CITE THE CUNNINGHAM CASE IN ITS ANSWER BRIEF AS AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE TYPE OF APPEAL THAT ARISES ONCE A POSTCONVICTION MOTION IS DISPOSED OF WITH PART OF THE CLAIMS BEING DENIED WITHOUT AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND PART OF THE CLAIMS BEING DENIED OR OTHERWISE RESOLVED FOLLOWING AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING.

MULTIPLE CLAIMS IN A SINGLE MOTION.

AND THE SECOND IN THE CUNNINGHAM CASE SAYS, WELL, WE USED TO TREAT THOSE CASES ONE WAY.

WE REALIZE WE'RE THE ONLY DCA THAT DOES THAT, WE'RE NOW GOING TO TREAT THOSE CASES AS IF IT'S SUBJECT TO B3, 9140B3 WHICH IS WE'RE GOING TO TREAT THEM AS IF THE ENTIRETY OF THE MOTION WAS ONE FOLLOWING AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING.

THIS IS NOT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE.

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT BEAST, ONE THAT'S NOT GOVERNED BY TWO DIFFERENT SUBDIVISIONS OF 9141, BUT

GOVERNED IN ITS ENTIRETY BY
9143.

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A
PROCEEDING, AN APPEAL THAT WOULD
BE GOVERNED BOTH BY 9141 AND
9140.

AND THAT'S A COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT ANIMAL THAN WHAT THE
CUNNINGHAM CASE IS TALKING ABOUT
AND ABOUT THE POTENTIAL HYBRID
APPEAL THAT'S CURRENTLY
AVAILABLE AND BEING DEALT WITH
BY THE DCAS UNDER CURRENT
PRACTICE.

THIS IS A NEW BEAST, AND THERE'S
NO REASON TO AUTHORIZE ITS
CREATION AND EXPANSION.

NOW, COUNSEL SAID -- AND I'VE
NEVER QUITE UNDERSTOOD THIS
ARGUMENT -- THAT MR. TAYLOR DID
NOT EVEN FOLLOW THE SECOND DCA'S
APPROACH IN COOPER.

HE MOST CERTAINLY DID.

THE COOPER COURT SAID THAT THE
ORDER, THE DISPOSING OF THE 3850
MOTION IS THE FINAL APPEALABLE
ORDER EVEN IF THERE'S SOMETHING
ELSE THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IN
THE TRIAL COURT AS A RESULT OF
THE DISPOSITION OF THAT MOTION.
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT MR. TAYLOR
DID.

HE APPEALED FROM THE FINAL
RENDITION OF THE ORDER DISPOSING
OF THE 3850 MOTION WHICH
OCCURRED UPON THE RENDITION OF
THE ORDER DENYING HIS TIMELY
MOTION FOR REHEARING.

AND ABOUT THIS DIVESTITURE OF
JURISDICTION, THE COOPER COURT
EXPRESSLY SAYS ON PAGE 933 OF
ITS OPINION THAT THE PENDENCY OF
THE APPEAL FROM THE ORDER ON THE
3850 MOTION DOESN'T DIVEST THE
TRIAL COURT FROM PROCEEDING WITH
THE RESENTENCING.

ONE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE
OTHER.

AND THAT'S THE POINT HERE.

AND I THINK, JUSTICE PARIENTE,

YOU MENTIONED THIS IN THE NEW RULES OR THE RULE AMENDMENT, I THINK, CONTEMPLATES THIS AS WELL.

THE DISPOSITION OF THE 3850 MOTION AND THE RESENTENCING ARE TWO DIFFERENT EVENTS.

TWO DIFFERENT PROCEEDINGS RESULTING IN TWO DIFFERENT FINAL ORDERS, TWO DIFFERENT APPEALS. THEY HAVE INDEPENDENCE OF EACH OTHER, AND THEY HAVE INDEPENDENCE FROM EACH OTHER. THE TEST, DESPITE WHAT THEY'VE SAID -- HE KEPT USING THE WORD "RELATED" -- THAT HAS NEVER BEEN A TEST.

THAT IS A JURISDICTIONALLY IRRELEVANT CONCEPT.

THE TEST IS WHETHER IT'S A FINAL ORDER.

AND THAT DETERMINES WHETHER IT'S APPEALABLE OR NOT.

>> WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE OF THE MOTION FOR REHEARING HAVING BEEN FILED AND JUST SAT THERE FOR TWO YEARS?

I MEAN, IS THERE -- I DON'T KNOW IF, I HAVEN'T GONE BACK TO THE FIFTH DISTRICT, IS THERE A QUESTION OF ABANDONMENT?

I MEAN, HOW LONG -- A JUDGE ISN'T SUPPOSED TO KNOW, HOW IS HE OR SHE SUPPOSED TO KNOW THE MOTION FOR A HEARING IS THERE? SO WHY ISN'T THIS CASE AS ABANDONMENT --

[INAUDIBLE]

TO APPEAL AS OPPOSED TO AN UNTIMELY?

>> WELL, I'M GLAD YOUR HONOR ADDED THAT LAST, BECAUSE THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT ITS TIMELINESS. IN THE BRIEF THAT MR. TAYLOR, PRO SE BRIEF THAT MR. TAYLOR FILED -- EXCUSE ME, IN HIS MOTION FOR REHEARING IN THE FIFTH DCA HE REPRESENTS TO THAT COURT THAT HE MADE INQUIRIES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT ABOUT THE

STATUS OF HIS PENDING MOTION FOR REHEARING.

I THINK HE SAID HE DID IT SIX TIMES,

NOW, THE RECORD ON APPEAL DOESN'T SHOW THOSE INQUIRIES.

I DON'T KNOW IF THAT MEANS THEY WEREN'T IN WRITING OR THAT THEY JUST WEREN'T INCLUDED.

BUT YOU END UP STILL, I DON'T THINK IT MATTERS.

RENDITION IS RENDITION IS RENDITION.

AND WHETHER HE WAS AT FAULT FOR NOT -- I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHAT HE WAS SUPPOSED TO DO OTHER THAN, HEY, COURT, PLEASE RULE OTHER THAN THE MANDAMUS OPTION WHICH, YOU KNOW, HE COULD HAVE RESORTED TO, BUT THERE'S NO CASE LAW ANYWHERE THAT SAYS YOU ABANDON A MOTION FOR REHEARING UNLESS YOU SEEK A WRIT OF MANDAMUS COMPELLING A RULING ON THIS.

>> THERE IS CASE LAW THAT IF YOU TAKE AN APPEAL WHILE THE MOTION FOR REHEARING IS PENDING, GENERALLY, THAT'S AN ABANDONMENT.

>> AND I'M GLAD YOUR HONOR BROUGHT THAT UP, BECAUSE I WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR ON THAT. IF YOU FILE A MOTION -- AND THIS IS 902013 ABOUT THE DEFINITION OF RENDITION -- IF YOU FILE A MOTION, AN AUTHORIZED, TIMELY MOTION WHICH IS THE PHRASE USED IN THE RULE THAT HAS THE EFFECT OF POSTPONING THE RENDITION OF AN ORDER FOR APPELLATE PURPOSES --

>> RIGHT.

>> -- AND YOU FILE YOUR NOTICE OF APPEAL BEFORE DISPOSITION OF THAT MOTION, YOU HAVE ABANDONED THAT MOTION.

THAT IS A VERY DIFFERENT SITUATION FROM WHAT IS GOING ON HERE.

HE FILED A MOTION, A TIMELY AND AUTHORIZED MOTION.

AS TO THE 3850 ORDER, THAT POSTPONED THEIR RENDITION OF THAT ORDER.

AND THEN HE LATER APPEALS FROM AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE ORDER, AND THERE IS NOT A SINGLE CASE IN FLORIDA THAT SAYS THAT THE ABANDONMENT PRINCIPLE EMBODIED IN THAT RULE MEANS THAT YOU ABANDON AN ORDER -- EXCUSE ME, A MOTION THAT HAS SUSPENDED THE RENDITION OF AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE ORDER.

I MEAN, I THINK THE MOST OBVIOUS EXAMPLE TO ME -- AND THIS IS PROBABLY BECAUSE I TRAVEL FOR THE MOST PART IN THE CIVIL WORLD -- IS YOU HAVE A FINAL JUDGMENT ON THE MERITS, YOU HAVE AN APPEAL FILED AND A TIMELY MOTION BY THE PREVAILING PARTY PRESUMABLY TO TAX COST OR ATTORNEYS' FEES OR BOTH. NOBODY ANYWHERE IS GOING TO SAY -- AT LEAST I HOPE NOBODY'S GOING TO SAY THAT THE FILING OF THAT NOTICE OF APPEAL DIVESTED THE TRIAL COURT OF JURISDICTION TO RESOLVE -- EXCUSE ME, RESULT IN AN ABANDONMENT OF THAT MOTION FOR COST AND ATTORNEYS' FEES. IT'S AN ENTIRELY -- THAT WILL RESULT IN AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE APPEALABLE ORDER.

>> OH, YEAH.

THERE HAVE BEEN LAWYERS THAT HAVE ARGUED THAT BEFORE AND LOST.

>> I UNDERSTAND.

[LAUGHTER]

BUT THE CASE LAW IS CLEAR THAT THEY'RE WRONG, I GUESS IS MY POINT.

SO, YEAH.

IF THERE HAS BEEN, HAD BEEN SUCH A BEAST AS A MOTION FOR REHEARING DIRECTED TO THE RESENTENCING ORDER, THAT

MOTION -- WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT EXIST, I ACTUALLY DON'T KNOW BUT IT WAS NOT FILED HERE -- THAT MOTION WOULD HAVE BEEN ABANDONED BY THE FILING OF THE APPEAL FROM THE RESENTENCING ORDER.

>> THERE'S NO CASE LAW THAT ADDRESSES PASSAGE OF TIME? JUST ALONE?

>> NO, CERTAINLY NOT.

AND, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IF HE'S RIGHT IN WHAT HE SAID IN THE FIFTH AND HE DID INQUIRE ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE PENDING MOTION FOR REHEARING SIX TIMES -- AND HE DID, YOU KNOW, IT WAS A VERY GENTLE NUDGING OF THE COURT, IF YOU WILL, ULTIMATELY TO FINALLY GET A RULING ON THE MOTION FOR REHEARING BY FINDING SOMETHING THAT HE TITLED AS AN AMENDED MOTION, A MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION AFTER THE TRIAL COURT DENIED THE ORIGINAL AMENDED MOTION ON THE GROUNDS IT WAS UNTIMELY.

AND, YOU KNOW, UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, I'VE NEVER HEARD ANYBODY SAY THAT MANDAMUS, A PROCEEDING FOR THE DISCRETIONARY WRIT OF MANDAMUS IS SOMETHING THAT'S A PREREQUISITE TO AVOID AN ABANDONMENT OF A MOTION.

THAT JUST SEEMS TO ME IT WOULD BE A PREPOSTEROUS PROPOSITION. BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE VERY GOOD REASONS --

>> IN FACT, WE REALLY DON'T WANT TO CREATE THAT LAW BECAUSE --

>> WELL, YEAH.

I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE MANDAMUS PROCEEDINGS OF THAT NATURE.

AND FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE CLIENT, I MEAN, I'VE TALKED MANY TIMES OVER THE YEARS ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES OF A PENDING MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT THAT'S BEEN SITTING THERE FOR YEARS WAITING A RULING, FOLLOWING A HEARING

AND DISCUSS WITH CLIENTS THE
POSSIBILITY OF FILING A PETITION
FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS TO COMPEL A
RULING.

AND I ALWAYS SAY DON'T DO THAT
BECAUSE --

[LAUGHTER]

IF YOU WANT --

>> THE ANSWER WILL BE NO.

[LAUGHTER]

>> YEAH.

IF YOU WANT THE TRIAL JUDGE TO
RULE ON YOUR MOTION AND YOU WANT
TO HAVE THE APPELLATE COURT TELL
THE JUDGE TO RULE ON THAT AND DO
SO RIGHT AWAY, I'LL TELL YOU
WHAT THE ANSWER TO THAT RULING'S
GOING TO BE.

SO, I MEAN, IT'S THE SAME
PRINCIPLE HERE.

YOU DON'T HAVE ABANDONMENT AS A
MATTER OF LAW, WHICH I GUESS IS
WHAT THEY'RE ARGUING, MERELY
BECAUSE THE TRIAL COURT DOESN'T
DO ITS DUTY.

AND IT IS THE TRIAL COURT'S DUTY
TO DISPOSE OF A TIMELY
AUTHORIZED MOTION FOR REHEARING.
SO I DON'T KNOW HOW -- ANY OTHER
WAY YOU GET AROUND THIS.

HE DIDN'T APPEAL THE DISPOSITION
OF THE 3850 MOTION AT THE TIME
HE APPEALED FROM HIS
RESENTENCING ORDER BECAUSE AT
THAT MOMENT IN TIME THE 3850
MOTION STILL HADN'T BEEN
RESOLVED.

THERE WAS STILL A PENDING MOTION
FOR REHEARING DIRECTED TO THAT
ORDER.

AND IF HE HAD FILED A NOTICE OF
REPEAL THAT SAID I AM APPEALING
FROM THE RESENTENCING ORDER AND
FROM THE DENIAL OF MY 3850
MOTION OR DENIAL IN PART OF MY
3850 MOTION, THAT WOULD HAVE
BEEN ABANDONMENT, BUT THAT'S NOT
WHAT HE DID.

HE QUITE CLEARLY LIMITED THE
APPEAL TO THE RESENTENCING ORDER

AS HE WAS ENTITLED TO DO.
AND AS HE WAS ALSO ENTITLED TO
DO, HE WEIGHTED THE DISPOSITION
OF THE MOTION FOR REHEARING, THE
POSTPONED RENDITION OF THE 3850
ORDER.

FOLLOWING THAT DISPOSITION, HE
FILED A TIMELY NOTICE OF APPEAL
AS TO THAT.

THOSE WERE BOTH SEPARATE, FINAL
APPEALABLE ORDERS.

FIFTH DCA HAD SUBJECT MATTER
JURISDICTION TO DECIDE THE
MERITS OF THE APPEAL, AND IT HAD
A LEGAL DUTY TO DO SO.

SO I'D ASK THAT THE COURT QUASH
THE FIFTH'S DECISION, DISAPPROVE
ITS PRIOR DECISION IN CERVINO
AND APPROVE THE FIRST AND
SECOND'S DECISIONS IN COOPER AND
SLOCUM.

I THANK THE COURT FOR ITS TIME.
>> THANK YOU FOR YOUR ARGUMENTS
AND FOR YOUR REPRESENTATION.
COURT IS ADJOURNED.

>> ALL RISE.