

Supreme Court of Florida

No. 76,054

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Petitioner,

vs.

WILLIAM JOHNSON,
Respondent.

[March 21, 1991]

PER CURIAM.

We review Johnson v. State, 559 So. 2d 729 (Fla. 4th DCA 1990), in which the court certified as one of great public importance the following question:

DOES THE MERE IDENTIFICATION OF A
LOCATION AS A HIGH CRIME AREA UNDULY
PREJUDICE A DEFENDANT WHO IS ARRESTED
THERE?

Id. at 729. We have jurisdiction. Art. V, § 3(b)(4), Fla.
Const.

We have now answered the same question by stating that such an identification could be unduly prejudicial under some circumstances but is not always so. Gillion v. State, 16 F.L.W. 72 (Fla. Jan. 10, 1991). We approve the decision below because it appears consistent with our opinion in Gillion.

It is so ordered.

SHAW, C.J., and OVERTON, McDONALD, BARKETT, GRIMES, KOGAN and HARDING, JJ., concur.

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE REHEARING MOTION AND, IF FILED, DETERMINED.

Application for Review of the Decision of the District Court of
Appeal - Certified Great Public Importance

Fourth District - Case No. 89-0324

(Broward County)

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