Supreme Court of Florida

ORIGINAL

No. 78,378

STATE OF FLORIDA, Petitioner,

vs.

ERIC PRICE, Respondent.

[February 20, 1992]

OVERTON, J.

The State of Florida petitions this Court to review <u>Price</u> <u>v. State</u>, 582 So. 2d 830 (Fla. 1st DCA 1991), in which the First District Court of Appeal reversed Price's sentencing as a habitual offender. The district court certified the following question as one of great public importance:

> WHETHER SECTION 775.084(1)(a)1, FLORIDA STATUTES (SUPP. 1988), WHICH DEFINES HABITUAL FELONY OFFENDERS AS THOSE WHO HAVE "PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONVICTED OF TWO OR MORE FELONIES," REQUIRES

THAT EACH OF THE FELONIES BE COMMITTED AFTER CONVICTION FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PREVIOUS OFFENSE.

<u>Id.</u> at 830.¹

We recently answered this same certified question in the negative in our decision in <u>State v. Barnes</u>, No. 77,751 (Fla. Feb. 20, 1992). Accordingly, we quash the district court's decision in <u>Price</u> and remand this case for further proceedings consistent with our opinion in Barnes.

It is so ordered.

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

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

¹ We have jurisdiction. Art. V, § 3(b)(4), Fla. Const.

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

First District - Case No. 90-01218

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