Supreme Court of Florida

No. 80,863

STATE OF FLORIDA, Appellant,

vs.

BRYAN K. RICHARDS, Appellee.

ORIGINAL

[June 2, 1994]

SHAW, J.

The State of Florida appeals the decision of the district court of appeal in <u>Richards v. State</u>, 608 So. 2d 917 (Fla. 3d DCA 1992). The district court declared a state statute unconstitutional. Therefore, we have jurisdiction of the state's appeal. Art. V, § 3(b)(1), Fla. Const.

On the authority of our decision in <u>State v. Stalder</u>, 630 So. 2d 1072 (Fla. 1994), in which the issue presented here was decided, we reverse the decision of the district court of appeal and remand for further proceedings consistent with our opinion in <u>Stalder</u>.

It is so ordered.

GRIMES, C.J., and OVERTON, KOGAN and HARDING, JJ., and McDONALD, Senior Justice, concur.

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

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