

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

SALIM KAMAU LATIF,)
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 Petitioner,)
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 vs.)
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 STATE OF FLORIDA,)
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 Respondent.)
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S. CT. CASE NO. SC93,385
DCA CASE NO. 96-2992

**APPEAL FROM THE CIRCUIT COURT
IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND FIFTH DISTRICT**

SUPPLEMENTAL POINT ON APPEAL

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POINT II

SUMMARY OF THE ARGUMENT

The trial court erroneously sentenced the Petitioner under Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida, which the Florida Supreme Court has found to be unconstitutional as a violative of the single subject rule contained in Article III, Section 6 of the Florida Constitution. Accordingly, this Court should remand this cause for resentencing according to the valid guidelines laws which were in effect prior to the October 1, 1995, enactment date of Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida.

ARGUMENT

POINT II: THE TRIAL COURT ERRONEOUSLY SENTENCED THE PETITIONER UNDER CHAPTER 95-184, LAW OF FLORIDA, WHICH IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Petitioner was sentenced by the trial court for the instant offenses, which occurred on December 7, 1996, under chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida. (R 3) The scoresheet, which the trial court referred to in imposing the Petitioner's guidelines sentence, was based on Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.991 (a), which became effective on October 1, 1995, under Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida. (R 30-32)

This Court has recently ruled in Heggs v. State, 25 Fla. L. Weekly S137 (Fla. February 17, 2000), that Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida, is unconstitutional as violative of the single subject rule contained in Article III, Section 6 of the Florida Constitution. See Art. V, § 3(b)(5), Fla. Const. As further noted by the Florida Supreme Court in Heggs, for an offense, such as the instant offense, which occurs between October 1, 1995, and October 1, 1996, a defendant has standing to raise this claim of unconstitutionality as being violative of the single subject rule under Article III, Section 6 of the Florida Constitution.

Applying the sentencing guidelines in effect prior to enactment of Chapter 95-

184, Laws of Florida, without the removing the misdemeanor offense and the battery on the law enforcement officer objected to by Petitioner as argued in Point I, Petitioner's maximum permissible guidelines sentence would be significantly reduced from 40 months to 26.75 months incarceration. If the prior offenses objected to are removed, Petitioner Maximum permissible sentence is 23.5 months incarceration. The Petitioner is, therefore, entitled to be sentenced under the sentencing guidelines which were in effect prior to the enactment of Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida.

CONCLUSION

As to Point Two, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Honorable Court vacate the Petitioner's sentence and remand for resentencing under the sentencing guidelines in effect prior to the effective date of Chapter 95-184, Laws of Florida.

Respectfully submitted,

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