Supreme Court of Florida

No. SC96095

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Petitioner,

VS.

TELFA DEAN HALL,

Respondent.

[April 6, 2000]

PER CURIAM.

We have for review the decision in <u>Hall v. State</u>, 738 So. 2d 996 (Fla. 5th DCA 1999), which was certified to be in conflict with the opinion in <u>Thompson v. State</u>, 725 So. 2d 1217 (Fla. 2d DCA 1999), on the issue of whether twenty-five sentencing points may be assessed against a defendant who was convicted of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The Fifth District held that the additional sentencing points may not be assessed where the felony conviction is specifically predicated upon the possession of a firearm. <u>See Hall</u>, 738 So. 2d at

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

We recently resolved this conflict in <u>Thompson v. State</u>, No. SC95088 (Fla. Apr. 6, 2000), wherein we held that consistent with our opinion in <u>White</u>, twenty-five sentencing points may not be added to a defendant's sentencing guideline score sheet where the use or possession of the firearm is inherent in the commission of the underlying felony. In so holding, we quashed the Second District's decision in <u>Thompson</u>. <u>See Thompson</u>, slip op. at 3-4.

Accordingly, we approve the decision below.

It is so ordered.

HARDING, C.J., and SHAW, ANSTEAD, PARIENTE, LEWIS and QUINCE, JJ., concur.

WELLS, J., dissents.

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 Direct Conflict of Decisions

Fifth District - Case No. 5D98-1080

(Orange County)

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