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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,

v.

Petitioner,

Case No. 96,490

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JAMES ANDREW WILLIAMS,

Respondent.

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ON DISCRETIONARY REVIEW FROM THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, FIFTH DISTRICT AND THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

PETITIONER'S BRIEF ON JURISDICTION

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STATEMENT OF THE CASE AND FACTS

This case was before the Fifth District Court of Appeal on Petition for Writ of Certiorari. No response was requested or filed on Respondents' behalf. On August 20, 1999, the fifth district issued its decision in this case, stating in full: "This petition is treated as a petition for writ of certiorari and the petition is granted. See Norris v. State, 24 Fla.L.Weekly D (Fla. 5th DCA Aug. 6, 1999). Pursuant to Norris, the order is quashed."

State v. Norris is currently pending before this Honorable Court as case number 96,401. The undersigned filed a motion to consolidate this case with Norris, which as of this writing is pending. Since the sole basis for the decision below is the Norris case, should this Court accept jurisdiction in that case, this case should also be reviewed by this Court and consolidated with Norris.

SUMMARY OF ARGUMENT

If this Court accepts jurisdiction in case number 96,401, pursuant to <u>Jollie v. State</u>, <u>infra</u>, this case should be accepted as well and consolidated with <u>State v. Norris</u>.

CERTIFICATE OF FONT

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ARGUMENT

THIS HONORABLE COURT SHOULD ACCEPT JURISDICTION IN THIS CASE IF IT ACCEPTS JURISDICTION IN CASE NUMBER 96,401.

In <u>Jollie v. State</u>, 405 So. 2d 418 (Fla. 1981), this Honorable Court held that decisions which cited as the only authority a case currently pending review before this Court are within this Court's discretionary jurisdiction. In this case, the decision of the district court relies solely upon <u>Norris v. State</u>, 24 Fla.L.Weekly D1866 (Fla. 5th DCA Aug. 6, 1999), which is currently pending review in this Court as <u>State v. Norris</u>, Case No. 96,401. In the event that this Honorable Court accepts review of <u>Norris</u>, this case should be accepted for review and consolidated with it.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing argument and authority, the State respectfully requests this Honorable Court to accept jurisdiction in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing brief has been furnished by United States Mail to the Hon. William T. Swigert, Sr., at 110 N.W. 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL 34475, to Hon. Peyton Hyslop, at 20 N. Main Street, Room 340, Brooksville, FL 34601, and to Assistant Public Defender Elizabeth Osmond, at 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville, FL 34601, this 24 day of September, 1999.

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APPENDIX TO PETITIONER'S BRIEF ON JURISDICTION

Williams v. State,
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Opinion filed August 20, 1999

Petition for Writ of Prohibition, William T. Swigert and Peyton Hyslop, Respondent Judges

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No Appearance for Respondent.

PER CURIAM.

This petition is treated as a petition for writ of certiorari and the petition is granted. See Norris v. State, 24 Fla. L. Weekly D (Fla. 5th DCA Aug. 6, 1999). Pursuant to Norris, the order is quashed.

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DAUKSCH, HARRIS and THOMPSON, JJ., concur.