ERIC WILLIAMS ET AL NO. 25-KH-94

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March 27, 2025

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IN RE ERIC WILLIAMS

APPLYING FOR SUPERVISORY WRIT FROM THE TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE FRANK A. BRINDISI, DIVISION "E", NUMBER 02-3223

Panel composed of Judges Jude G. Gravois, Scott U. Schlegel, and Timothy S. Marcel

WRIT DENIED

Relator, Eric Williams, filed a *pro se* writ of mandamus, requesting that this Court order the trial court to rule on his petition for writ of mandamus filed on November 1, 2024. A review of the official record in this case indicates that on November 15, 2024, the trial court denied relator's petition for writ of mandamus. A copy of the trial court's November 15, 2024 Order is attached to this disposition. Accordingly, relator's request for mandamus relief is moot. This writ application is denied.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 27th day of March, 2025.

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ORDER

This matter comes before the court on petitioner's <u>PETITIONER FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS</u>, <u>STAMPED AS FILED NOVEMBER 6, 2024</u>.

The petitioner was convicted of count #1, LSA-R.S. 14:64, armed robbery, count #2, LSA-R.S. 14:34, aggravated battery, and count #3, LSA-R.S. 14:95E, use of firearm with CDS. The court originally sentenced him on count #1 to 85 years, consecutively, and counts #2 & 3 to 10 years, consecutively, with a total of to 105 years incarceration at hard labor. His convictions were upheld on direct appeal on issues of the prosecutor's reference to his incarceration, a reference to his post-arrest silence, admissibility of evidence, and notice of the charges, but was remanded to trial court to question excessiveness of sentence. *State v. Williams*, 902 So.2d 485, 04-1309 (La.App. 5 Cir. 4/26/05), writ denied, 922 So.2d 1173, 05-1640 (La. 2/3/06), writ denied, 924 So.2d 144, 05-1640 (La. 2/3/06).

On appeal after remand, the appellate court found defendant's 85 year sentence for armed robbery disproportionate to the crime, and remanded for re-sentencing.

On January 14, 2010, the court re-sentenced the defendant as per the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal on count #1 to 50 years imprisonment at hard labor, concurrently, count #2 to 10 years, concurrently, count #3 to 10 years, consecutively, with a total of 60 years imprisonment at hard labor. *State v. Williams*, 8 So.3d 3, 08-556 (La. App. 1/13/09); writ denied, 21 So.3d 298, 2009-330 (La. 11/6/09).

Petitioner again requests that the court re-sentence him. He argues that his sentence is illegal as he never had a pre-sentence investigation.

As this court has previously ruled, a procedural bar to relief is LSA.-C.Cr.P. art. 881, which provides that a sentence cannot be amended once the defendant has begun serving that sentence. Under the provisions of LSA-C.Cr.P. art. 881, the trial court can only amend a felony sentence which is ordered without hard labor.

Additionally, the court finds no illegality in petitioner's sentencing. This court previously re-sentenced petitioner in accordance with the Fifth Circuit's remand order. Furthermore, the terms of petitioner's sentencing are within the statutory parameters provided. As a matter of law, the petitioner is not entitled to relief.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED BY THE COURT that petitioner's motion be and the same is hereby **DENIED**.

Gretna, Louisiana this 15 day of November, 2024

JUDGE

PLEASE SERVE:

DEFENDANT: Eric Williams, DOC # 478201, Louisiana State Penitentiary, Angola, LA 70712

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