

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

BOBBY BROWN,)
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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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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Petitioner was the Appellant in the Fifth District Court of Appeal and Respondent was the Appellee. In the brief the parties will be referred to as they appear before this Honorable Court.

In the brief the following symbol will be used:

"R" - Record on appeal.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE AND FACTS

Petitioner was charged by two informations filed in the Circuit Court of Orange County, Florida, with two counts of "sale of a counterfeit substance in lieu of controlled substance." (R 26, 29) On February 21, 1984, his motion to dismiss the informations, grounded on the unconstitutionality of the statute under which he had been charged, was denied. (R 54-59, 11) §817.563, Fla. Stat. (1981). He entered a plea of nolo contendere to each charge, reserving his right to appeal the trial court's denial of the motions to dismiss. (R 14) Orders placing Petitioner on concurrent probation terms of five years each were entered on March 8, 1984. (R 77-80)

Notice of appeal was timely filed on March 21, 1984, and on October 11, 1984, the Fifth District Court of Appeal affirmed the orders of probation and held that Section 817.563 was constitutional. (R 82; Appendix) Notice to invoke this Honorable Court's jurisdiction was filed in the District Court on October 15, 1984.

ARGUMENT

THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL'S
DECISION DIRECTLY AND EXPRESSLY
CONFLICTS WITH THE DECISION IN
STATE v. BUSSEY, 444 So. 2d 63
(Fla. 4th DCA 1984).

The Fourth District Court of Appeal, in State v. Bussey, 444 So. 2d 63 (Fla. 4th DCA 1984), Appeal pending, Fla. Sup. Ct. Case No. 64,966, held that Section 817.563 of the Florida Statutes (1981), under which Petitioner was charged in the Circuit Court in this case, was unconstitutional. When the District Court in this case affirmed the trial court's orders of probation, it held Section 817.563 to be constitutional, and stated:

"This decision directly conflicts
with State v. Bussey, 444 So. 2d 63
(Fla. 4th DCA 1984)."

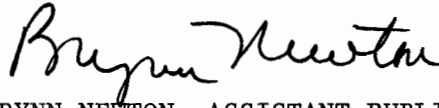
The Fifth District Court of Appeal's decision in this case, therefore, expressly and directly conflicts with the decision of another District Court of Appeal on the same question of law. Rule 9.030(a)(2)(A)(iv). This Honorable Court therefore has jurisdiction to review the District Court of Appeal's decision herein.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons expressed herein, Petitioner respectfully requests that this Honorable Court assume jurisdiction over this cause, and review the District Court of Appeal's decision herein.

Respectfully submitted,

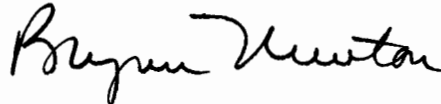
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy hereof has been furnished to the Honorable Jim Smith, Attorney General, 125 N. Ridgewood Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida, 32014, by delivery; and by mail to Mr. Bobby Brown, 1216 S. Orange Blossom Trail, C-28, Orlando, Florida 32805, this 19th day of October, 1984.



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