Robert James LORD v. STATE of Arkansas

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Supreme Court of Arkansas Opinion delivered July 11, 2002

Appeal & error — motion for rule on clerk — good cause for granting. — An admission by an attorney for a criminal defendant that the record was tendered late due to a mistake on his part is good cause to grant a motion for rule on the clerk.

Motion for Rule on Clerk; granted.

Joe Kelly Hardin, for appellant.

No response.

PER CURIAM. Appellant, Robert James Lord, by and through attorney, has filed a motion for rule on clerk. Attorney, Joe Kelly Hardin, states in the motion that the record was tendered late due to a mistake on his part.

We find that such an error, admittedly made by an attorney for a criminal defendant, is good cause to grant the motion. See In Re Belated Appeals in Criminal Cases, 265 Ark. 964 (1979) (per curiam).

The motion is, therefore, granted. A copy of this opinion will be forwarded to the Committee on Professional Conduct.