

James Richard DORTCH v. STATE of Arkansas

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Supreme Court of Arkansas
Opinion delivered March 31, 2005

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.

Thurman Ragar, Jr., for appellant.

No response.

PER CURIAM. Appellant James Richard Dortch, by and through his attorney, has filed a motion for rule on clerk. His attorney, Thurman Ragar Jr., states in the motion that the record was tendered late due to a mistake on his part.

[1] 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.