

Albert Allen DIRICKSON v. STATE of Arkansas

CR 99-795

14 S.W.3d 524

Supreme Court of Arkansas
Opinion delivered April 20, 2000

APPEAL & ERROR — MOTION FOR BELATED APPEAL — GOOD CAUSE FOR GRANTING. — An admission by an attorney for a criminal defendant that the appeal was not timely filed due to a mistake on his part is good cause to grant a belated appeal.

Motion for Belated Appeal; granted.

Norman G. Cox, Sevier County Pub. Defender, for appellant.

Mark Pryor, Att'y Gen., by: *Milton O. Fine, II*, Ass't Att'y Gen., for appellee.

PER CURIAM. Appellant Albert Allen Dirickson, by and through his attorney, has filed a motion for belated appeal. His attorney, Norman G. Cox, admits by motion that the appeal was not timely filed 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.