

Kingrale COLLINS *v.* STATE of Arkansas

CR 98-563

117 S.W.3d 597

Supreme Court of Arkansas  
Opinion delivered September 11, 2003

ATTORNEY & CLIENT — MOTION TO BE RELIEVED & FOR APPOINTMENT OF  
NEW COUNSEL — AMENDED MOTION REQUESTED. — So that it could  
be ascertained whether the supreme court had jurisdiction to relieve  
counsel and appoint counsel, the court directed that the attorney in  
question file an amended motion clarifying the status of his client's

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criminal case and an accompanying certified partial record of any circuit court proceedings.

Motion to Be Relieved and for Appointment of New Counsel; Amended motion requested.

*Nolan Law Firm*, by: *Chris A. Tarver*, for petitioner.

No response.

**P**ER CURIAM. In 1997, Kingrale Collins was found guilty by a jury of capital murder and sentenced to death. We affirmed. *Collins v. State*, 338 Ark. 1, 991 S.W.2d 541 (1999).

[1] Now before us is a motion filed by attorney Chris A. Tarver who asks to be relieved as counsel for Collins and for other counsel to be appointed to represent him. Although Tarver states that Collins is at a “critical stage of his appeal,” no record of any proceeding in circuit court accompanied the motion, and there is no proceeding currently pending in this court. So that it can be ascertained whether this court has jurisdiction to relieve counsel and appoint counsel at this juncture, we direct that Tarver file an amended motion clarifying the status of Mr. Collins’s criminal case. If this court’s jurisdiction is based on a proceeding in circuit court, at least a certified partial record of that court’s proceedings should accompany the amended motion.

Amended motion requested.