

Cecil POYNER *v.* ARKANSAS CONTRACTORS  
LICENSING BOARD  
Bruce Earl Ward *v.* State of Arkansas

98-952  
CR 98-657

985 S.W.2d 297

Supreme Court of Arkansas  
Opinion delivered December 11, 1998

CONTEMPT — BENCH WARRANT ISSUED. — Because a substitute court reporter failed to appear as ordered for a show-cause hearing, the supreme court ordered the State Police to take immediate custody and to deliver her to a detention facility, where she would be held until her appearance could be scheduled before the court.

Bench Warrant issued.

*Lyon, Emerson & Cone*, for appellant Cecil Poyner.

No response.

*Deborah R. Sallings*, for appellant Bruce Earl Ward.

No response.

**P**ER CURIAM. The procedural background in this matter is set forth in our *per curiam* orders issued on November 19, 1998. *Poyner v. Arkansas Contractors Licensing Bd.*, 335 Ark. 260, 979 S.W.2d 902 (1998); *Ward v. State*, 335 Ark. 265, 979 S.W.2d 902 (1998). Ms. Lené Collins-Sontag, substitute court reporter for the Third and Seventh Divisions of Pulaski County Circuit Court, was cited to appear before this court on December 10, 1998, at 9:00 a.m. to show cause why she should not be held in contempt of this court for her failure to comply in a timely manner with the command of the writs of certiorari issued on September 10, 1998, and September 17, 1998. *Id.* Ms. Collins-Sontag did not appear.

[1] Because Ms. Collins-Sontag failed to appear before this court on December 10, 1998, as ordered by the *per curiam* orders

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issued on November 19, 1998, we hereby order the State Police to take immediate custody of Ms. Collins-Sontag and deliver her to the Pulaski County Detention Facility, where she shall be held until such time as her appearance can be scheduled before this court.

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