THE COURT OF APPEALS

ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT

LAKE COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO, : MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff-Appellee, :

CASE NO. 2006-L-007

- VS -

JAY R. VERNON,

Defendant-Appellant. :

Criminal Appeal from the Court of Common Pleas, Case No. 95 CR 000397.

Judgment: Appeal dismissed.

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WILLIAM M. O'NEILL, J.

- {¶1} On January 10, 2006, appellant, Jay R. Vernon, pro se, filed a notice of appeal from a January 5, 2006 judgment entry of the Lake County Court of Common Pleas. In that judgment, the trial court denied appellant's motion to dismiss a sexual offender determination hearing. It appears that the entry appealed from is not a final appealable order pursuant to R.C. 2505.02.
- {¶2} Generally, an order denying a motion to dismiss is not a final appealable order. West v. Carfax, Inc., 11th Dist. No. 2005-T-0044, 2005 WL 1503722, 2005-Ohio-

3266, at ¶2, citing Ferrell v. Standard Oil Co. of Ohio (1984), 11 Ohio St.3d 169. Furthermore, we note that overruling a motion to dismiss on the ground of double jeopardy is also not a final appealable order that may immediately be reviewed upon appeal. State v. Crago (1990), 53 Ohio St.3d 243, 244.

- {¶3} In the instant matter, the trial court overruled appellant's motion to dismiss on double jeopardy grounds. Therefore, the judgment entry from which this appeal is taken is not a final appealable order pursuant to R.C. 2505.02, and thus, this court does not have jurisdiction to consider the merits of his appeal.
- {¶4} Based upon the foregoing analysis, this appeal is hereby sua sponte dismissed for lack of a final appealable order.
 - **{¶5}** Appeal dismissed.

DONALD R. FORD, P.J.,

CYNTHIA WESTCOTT RICE, J.,

concur.