COURT OF APPEALS OF OHIO, EIGHTH DISTRICT

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

No. 85810

STATE OF OHIO, EX REL.: : ORIGINAL ACTION

EDWARD STANLEY

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JOURNAL ENTRY

Relator : AND : OPINION

VS.

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JUDGE PEGGY FOLEY JONES

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Respondent :

DATE OF JOURNALIZATION: FEBRUARY 9, 2005

CHARACTER OF PROCEEDINGS: WRIT OF MANDAMUS

JUDGMENT: Writ Denied.

Motion No. 368478 Order No. 368498

APPEARANCES:

For Relator: EDWARD STANLEY, pro se

Inmate No. 442-753

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Cuyahoga County Prosecutor

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Judge Mary Eileen Kilbane:

- {¶1} On January 13, 2005, relator, Edward Stanley, commenced this mandamus action against respondent, Judge Peggy Foley Jones, to compel her to issue findings of fact and conclusions of law pertaining to his post-conviction relief petition filed in *State v. Stanley*, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas Case Nos. CR-429283 and CR-428085. On February 2, 2005, respondent, through the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor, filed a motion for summary judgment.
- {¶2} Attached to the respondent's motion for summary judgment is a copy of the court's findings of fact and conclusions of law denying Stanley's post-conviction petition. Thus, Stanley's petition for a writ of mandamus is moot.¹ State ex rel. Grant v. Coleman (1983), 6 Ohio St.3d 5, 450 N.E.2d 1163; State ex rel. Jerningham v. Cuyahoga Cty. Court of Common Pleas, 74 Ohio St.3d 278, 1996-Ohio-117, 658 N.E.2d 723.
- $\{\P 3\}$ We also find that Stanley failed to comply with Loc.App.R. 45(B)(1)(a) which provides that all complaints must contain the specific statements of fact upon which the claim of illegality is based and must be supported by an affidavit from the plaintiff or relator specifying the details of the claim. State ex rel. Wilson v. Calabrese (Jan. 18, 1996), Cuyahoga App. No. 70077;

¹ The Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law incorrectly cites Stanley's indictment for two counts of murder as case number CR-428985. However, a review of the lower docket indicates that the entry was filed in CR-428085, the correct case number.

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State ex rel. Smith v. McMonagle (July 17, 1996), Cuyahoga App.

Io. 70899. Stanley also failed to comply with R.C. 2969.25

which mandates that he attach an affidavit to his complaint that

describes each civil action or appeal of a civil action filed in

the previous five years. The failure to provide such affidavit

constitutes sufficient grounds for dismissal of the relator's

complaint for a writ of mandamus. State ex rel. Zanders v. Ohio

Parole Board, 82 Ohio St.3d 421, 1998-Ohio-218, 696 N.E.2d 594;

State ex rel. Alford v. Winters, 80 Ohio St.3d 285, 1997-Ohio-117,

685 N.E.2d 1242.

 $\{\P 4\}$ Accordingly, we grant the respondent's motion for summary

judgment. Respondent to bear costs. It is further ordered that

the clerk shall serve upon all parties notice of this judgment and

date of entry pursuant to Civ.R. 58(B).

Writ denied.

MARY EILEEN KILBANE JUDGE

SEAN C. GALLAGHER, P.J., CONCURS

ANTHONY O. CALABRESE, J., CONCURS