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Court of Appeals of Ohio

EIGHTH APPELLATE DISTRICT COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

JOURNAL ENTRY AND OPINION No. 90862

STATE OF OHIO, EX REL., ROBERT MELTON

RELATOR

VS.

JUDGE KENNETH CALLAHAN

RESPONDENT

JUDGMENT: WRIT DENIED

WRIT OF PROCEDENDO MOTION NO. 405435 ORDER NO. 405709

RELEASE DATE: February 13, 2008

FOR RELATOR:

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- {¶1} On January 2, 2008, the relator, Robert Melton, commenced this procedendo action against the respondent, Judge Kenneth Callahan. In the underlying case, *State v. Melton*, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Case No. CR-501053, the Grand Jury on October 1, 2007, indicted Melton on one count of possession of cocaine. Since then he has made various pro se motions, including a motion for a court order to preserve a sample portion of the alleged controlled substance for independent testing,¹ a motion for the transcript of the preliminary hearing, a motion to suppress evidence, a motion to disqualify counsel, and a motion for personal bond. Melton seeks to compel the judge to rule on all his motions at an oral hearing in his presence. Melton also complains that he was excluded from the preliminary hearing and several pre-trials.
- {¶ 2} On January 28, 2008, the underlying case proceeded to trial. The docket contains the following entry dated January 31, 2008: "Defendant in court with public defender. Prosecuting attorney Jeffrey S. Schnatter present. Jury returns a verdict of not guilty of drug possession 2925.11 A as charged in the indictment. Defendant discharged in this case. Defendant ordered released." Accordingly, this procedendo action is moot, and this court denies the application for an extraordinary writ. Costs assessed against relator. The clerk is directed to serve upon the parties notice of this judgment and its date of entry upon the journal. Civ.R. 58(B).

¹ The docket indicates that the respondent granted this motion on December 27,

KENNETH A. ROCCO, JUDGE

ANTHONY O. CALABRESE, JR., P.J., and ANN DYKE, J., CONCUR