[Cite as *State v. Johnson*, 2026-Ohio-4442.]

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF OHIO
ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY

STATE OF OHIO, Plaintiff-Appellee, - vs - TYRESE PINK JOHNSON, Defendant-Appellant.	**CASE NO. 2026-L-0051** Criminal Appeal from the Court of Common Pleas Trial Court No. 2025 CR 000449

OPINION AND JUDGMENT ENTRY

Decided: November 9, 2026
Judgment: Affirmed

Charles E. Coulson, Lake County Prosecutor, *Teri R. Daniel* and *Kristi L. Winner*, Assistant Prosecutors, Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main Street, P.O. Box 490, Painesville, OH 44077 (For Plaintiff-Appellee).

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ROBERT J. PATTON, J.

{¶1} Defendant-appellant, Tyrese Pink Johnson ("Johnson"), pro se, appeals the judgment of the Lake County Court of Common Pleas denying his motion for resentencing. In his motion, Johnson argued that resentencing was required as the Regan-Tokes Act, governing his current sentence, is unconstitutionally violative of his right to a jury trial, procedural due process, and separation of powers doctrine.[1] The trial

1. Johnson is currently serving an indefinite sentence of 22 to 27.5 years resulting from his plea of "guilty" to two counts of involuntary manslaughter, first-degree felonies, in violation of R.C. 2903.04(A). Johnson filed a direct appeal with this court which was dismissed for failure to prosecute. *State v. Johnson*, No. 2025-L-114 (11th Dist. Jan. 27, 2026).

court, noting that these exact arguments were previously rejected by the Supreme Court of Ohio, denied Johnson's motion. *State v. Hacker*, 2023-Ohio-2535, ¶ 1.

{¶2} This court is likewise bound by the high court's precedents. Accordingly, we have consistently held that the Reagan-Tokes Act is constitutional. *E.g.*, *State v. Smith*, 2024-Ohio-3369, ¶ 39 (11th Dist.), citing *Hacker* at ¶ 41.

{¶3} Johnson's sole assignment of error is without merit. The judgment of the Lake County Court of Common Pleas is affirmed.

MATT LYNCH, P.J.,

JOHN J. EKLUND, J.,

concur.

JUDGMENT ENTRY

For the reasons stated in the opinion of this court, appellant's assignment of error is without merit. It is the judgment and order of this court that the judgment of the Lake County Court of Common Pleas is affirmed.

Costs to be taxed against appellant.

JUDGE ROBERT J. PATTON

PRESIDING JUDGE MATT LYNCH,
concurs

JUDGE JOHN J. EKLUND,
concurs

THIS DOCUMENT CONSTITUTES A FINAL JUDGMENT ENTRY

A certified copy of this opinion and judgment entry shall constitute the mandate pursuant to Rule 27 of the Ohio Rules of Appellate Procedure.