In the Indiana Supreme Court

State ex rel. Richard Allen, Relator,

v.

Carroll Circuit Court, et al., Respondents. Supreme Court Case No. 23S-OR-311

Trial Court Case No. 08C01-2210-MR-000001



Published Order

The relator, Richard Allen, seeks relief from this Court under the Rules of Procedure for Original Actions. Relator has requested a permanent writ of mandamus asking this Court to: (1) order the trial court to reinstate his former trial counsel, attorneys Andrew Baldwin and Brad Rozzi, as his court-appointed counsel; (2) order the trial court to commence Relator's trial within 70 days from the issuance of the writ; and (3) remove the special judge from Relator's case and appoint a new special judge.

Having considered the written submissions and having heard the arguments of counsel, a majority of the Court votes to GRANT the petition for writ as to Relator's request to reinstate attorneys Baldwin and Rozzi as his court-appointed counsel. The Court unanimously DENIES all other relief sought. The Court will promptly issue a written opinion explaining its reasons. The pendency of this matter in this Court does not stay the proceedings in the trial court.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on <u>1/18/2024</u>

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana