

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

STATE OF DELAWARE,	§
	§
Plaintiff Below,	§ Nos. 99 and 169, 2000
Appellant,	§ Consolidated
	§
v.	§ Court Below: Superior Court
	§ of the State of Delaware in and
JOSEPH SHAIA, KATHLEEN	§ for Sussex County
SHAIA, JAMES VAN LANDINGHAM,	§ Cr.A. Nos., 99-03-0615, et seq.
WEALTHY VAN LANDINGHAM,	§
MICHAEL L. BOOTH, SHAWN P.	§
WINSTON,	§
	§
Defendants Below,	§
Appellees.	§

Submitted: December 5, 2000

Decided: December 19, 2000

Before WALSH, BERGER, and STEELE, Justices.

O R D E R

This 19th day of December 2000, upon consideration of the briefs of the parties and oral argument, the Court concludes that, given our standard of review and the Superior Court's unique advantage in evaluating the responses to juror questioning, we find no abuse of discretion on the part of the Superior Court in the granting of a new trial. Accordingly, the decision of the Superior Court is affirmed.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the judgment of the
Superior Court be, and the same hereby is,
AFFIRMED.

BY THE COURT:

s/Joseph T. Walsh
Justice