IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL FIRST DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA

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DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

KEVIN WACHSMUTH,

Appellant,

v.

CASE NO. 1D05-1638

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Appellee.

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Opinion filed December 30, 2005.

An appeal from the Circuit Court for Duval County. L. Page Haddock, Judge.

Nancy A. Daniels, Public Defender; M. Gene Stephens, Assistant Public Defender, Tallahassee, for Appellant.

Charlie Crist, Attorney General, Tallahassee, for Appellee.

PER CURIAM.

We affirm appellant's criminal judgment and sentence. However, we reverse the imposition of the public defender lien because the trial court failed to inform appellant of his right to contest the amount of the lien before imposition. <u>See Saunders v. State</u>,

863 So. 2d 458, 459 (Fla. 1st DCA 2004). Upon remand, appellant should be afforded the opportunity to have a hearing to contest the amount of the public defender lien.

AFFIRMED in part, REVERSED in part, and REMANDED.

ERVIN, DAVIS and LEWIS, JJ., CONCUR.