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

EARL DEXTER HOWARD,

Petitioner,

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED.

v.

CASE NO. 1D06-3420

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Responde	nt.	

Opinion filed December 27, 2006.

Petition Seeking Belated Appeal -- Original Jurisdiction.

Earl Dexter Howard, pro se, Petitioner.

Charlie Crist, Attorney General, and Edward C. Hill, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Tallahassee, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM.

The petition is granted and Earl Dexter Howard is hereby afforded a belated appeal from the order denying postconviction relief in Alachua County Circuit Court case numbers 2003-CF-1290-A and 2004-CF-495-A. Upon issuance of mandate in this cause, a copy of the opinion will be provided to the clerk of the circuit court, who shall treat it as a notice of appeal. Fla. R. App. P. 9.141(c)(5)(D).

PETITION SEEKING BELATED APPEAL GRANTED.

KAHN, HAWKES, and THOMAS, JJ., CONCUR.