## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO :

Plaintiff-Appellee : C.A. CASE NO. 19604

v. : T.C. NO. 02 CR 1734

CLARENCE CASEY : (Criminal Appeal from

Common Pleas Court)

Defendant-Appellant

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## **OPINION**

Rendered on the  $\underline{\phantom{a}24^{th}}$  day of  $\underline{\phantom{a}October\phantom{a}}$ , 2003.

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WOLFF, J.

{¶1} Clarence Casey, Jr. was indicted for carrying concealed weapons (firearm), a violation of R.C. 2923.12(A) and a fourth degree felony. Casey pleaded no contest and was found guilty. He was sentenced to community control sanctions.

 $\{\P 2\}$  Casey advances three assignments of error:

 $\{\P3\}$  "1. THE TRIAL COURT SHOULD HAVE SUSTAINED THE MOTION TO

DISMISS BECAUSE OHIO REVISED CODE 2923.12, AS APPLIED, IS

UNCONSTITUTIONAL SINCE IT PRESUMES A PERSON GUILTY TILL PROVEN

INNOCENT.

{¶4} "2. THE TRIAL COURT SHOULD HAVE GRANTED THE MOTION TO

DISMISS BECAUSE OHIO REVISED CODE 2923.12 RESTRICTION OF

CONCEALING WEAPONS INFRINGES ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S FUNDAMENTAL

RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS.

{¶5} "3. THE TRIAL COURT SHOULD HAVE GRANTED THE MOTION TO

DISMISS BECAUSE THE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES PROVIDED BY R.C. 2923.12

ARE UNCONSTITUTIONALLY VAGUE."

{¶6} Each of these assignments assert the unconstitutionality of R.C. 2923.12.

We overrule them on the authority of Klein v. Leis (2003), 99 Ohio St.3d 537.

{¶7} The judgment will be affirmed.

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FAIN, P.J. and YOUNG, J., concur.

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