ARIZONA COURT OF APPEALS DIVISION ONE

STATE OF ARIZONA, Respondent,

v.

JOSEPH NORRIS CLIFTON, Petitioner.

No. 1 CA-CR 16-0078 PRPC FILED 10-12-2017

Petition for Review from the Superior Court in Maricopa County No. CR2012-154538-001 The Honorable Warren J. Granville, Judge

REVIEW GRANTED; RELIEF DENIED

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Joseph Norris Clifton, Kingman *Petitioner*

STATE v. CLIFTON Decision of the Court

MEMORANDUM DECISION

Presiding Judge James P. Beene, Judge Randall M. Howe and Judge Kent E. Cattani delivered the following decision.

PER CURIAM:

- ¶1 Petitioner Joseph Norris Clifton seeks review of the superior court's order denying his petition for post-conviction relief, filed pursuant to Arizona Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.1. This is Petitioner's second successive petition.
- Absent an abuse of discretion or error of law, this court will not disturb a superior court's ruling on a petition for post-conviction relief. *State v. Gutierrez*, 229 Ariz. 573, 577, ¶ 19, 278 P.3d 1276, 1280 (2012). It is petitioner's burden to show that the superior court abused its discretion by denying the petition for post-conviction relief. *See State v. Poblete*, 227 Ariz. 537, ¶ 1, 260 P.3d 1102, 1103 (App. 2011) (petitioner has burden of establishing abuse of discretion on review).
- ¶3 We have reviewed the record in this matter, the superior court's order denying the petition for post-conviction relief, and the petition for review. We find that petitioner has not established an abuse of discretion.
- ¶4 We grant review and deny relief.



AMY M. WOOD • Clerk of the Court