

SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. CR12-1130

CHARLES WILLIAMSON

APPELLANT

V.

STATE OF ARKANSAS

APPELLEE

Opinion Delivered January 10, 2013

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS
ATTORNEYMOTION TO WITHDRAW AS
ATTORNEY GRANTED.

PER CURIAM

Appellant Charles Williamson was found guilty of first-degree murder and sentenced to a term of life imprisonment. An appeal from the judgment has been lodged in this court. Williamson is represented on appeal by Timothy Beckham, a full-time public defender, who now asks that he be relieved as counsel on the ground that he is ineligible for compensation for services as appellate counsel.

Arkansas Code Annotated section 19-4-1604(b)(2)(B) (Repl. 2007) provides that persons employed as full-time public defenders who are not provided a state-funded secretary are eligible to seek compensation for appellate work. Counsel affirms that he is a full-time public defender with a full-time, state-funded secretary. Under these circumstances, he is not entitled to be paid for services in this appeal, and his request to be relieved is well founded. *See Craigg v. State*, 2012 Ark. 95 (per curiam).

Therefore, we grant Beckham's motion to be relieved, and we appoint attorney Rosalyn Watts to represent Williamson. Our clerk is directed to set a new briefing schedule for the appeal.

Motion granted.