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## STATE v. DAVIS-SECOND CONCURRENCE

McDONALD, J., concurring. I agree with the majority that the implied waiver rule set forth in State v. Kitchens, 299 Conn. 447, 482-83, 10 A.3d 942 (2011), should not extend to the facts of the present case, where the trial court failed to provide the defendant, Raquann Tyrone Davis, with a written copy of the jury charge and simply stated that the charge would be "in essence" the one provided on the Judicial Branch website. Nonetheless, I write separately to acknowledge the concerns that Justice Palmer has renewed regarding the underpinnings of the per se, irrefutable presumption set forth in *Kitchens* and the question of whether an implied waiver would arise even if defense counsel expressly disavowed any knowledge of legitimate claims that counsel could advance. I also note that recent decisions questioning whether the implied waiver rule in Kitchens applies to claims of plain error; see State v. Sanchez, 308 Conn. 64, 74-75 n.5, 60 A.3d 271 (2013); State v. Webster, 308 Conn. 43, 64, 60 A.3d 259 (2013) (Rogers, C. J., concurring); State v. Darryl W., 303 Conn. 353, 371–72 n.17, 33 A.3d 239 (2012); lend some support to Justice Palmer's contention that the rule in Kitchens is, in effect, a rule of forfeiture, not waiver.<sup>1</sup> Irrespective of the merits of such concerns, I note that the defendant has not asked us to consider modifying or overruling *Kitchens* in the present case. Not having previously weighed in on the merits of the question presented in *Kitchens*, I believe I am obliged to apply that precedent. Therefore, I reserve judgment on whether, faced with such a request, we should reconsider that precedent.

## I respectfully concur.

<sup>1</sup> Relying on federal case law, which deems claims forfeited under certain circumstances, the Appellate Court has noted: "[The] Plain Error Rule may only be invoked in instances of forfeited-but-reversible error, *United States* v. *Olano*, 507 U.S. 725, 731–33, [113 S. Ct. 1770], 123 L. Ed. 2d 508 (1993), and cannot be used for the purpose of revoking an otherwise valid waiver. This is so because if there has been a valid waiver, there is no error for us to correct. See [id., 732–33]. . . . The distinction between a forfeiture of a right (to which the Plain Error Rule may be applied) and a waiver of that right (to which the Plain Error Rule cannot be applied) is that [w]hereas forfeiture is the failure to make the timely assertion of a right, waiver is the intentional relinquishment or abandonment of a known right. [Id., 733] . . . *United States* v. *Lakich*, 23 F.3d 1203, 1207 (7th Cir. 1994)." (Internal quotation marks omitted.) *State* v. *Wilson*, 52 Conn. App. 802, 809–10, 729 A.2d 778 (1999).