IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

ROBERT W. JOHNSON, JR.,

§ No. 275, 2002 Defendant Below-

Appellant,

§ Court Below—Superior Court

§ of the State of Delaware, V.

§ in and for Sussex County

STATE OF DELAWARE, § Cr.A. Nos. S90-11-0329, -0331

§ and -0332

Plaintiff Below-§ Cr. ID No. 90S04507DI

Appellee.

Submitted: July 8, 2002

September 20, 2002 Decided:

Before VEASEY, Chief Justice, WALSH, and STEELE, Justices.

ORDER

This 20th day of September 2002, the Court has considered the appellant's opening brief and the State's motion to affirm. We find it manifest that the judgment below should be affirmed on the basis of the Superior Court=s wellreasoned decision dated May 2, 2002. The Superior Court did not err in concluding Johnson's motion was time-barred under Superior Court Criminal Rule 61(i)(1), and Johnson had failed to establish this procedural bar was inapplicable.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of the Superior Court is AFFIRMED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ E. Norman Veasey Chief Justice