IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL FIRST DISTRICT, STATE OF FLORIDA

KEITH DWAYNE HEAD,

Petitioner,

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE REHEARING MOTION AND DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED.

CASE NO. 1D03-2599

v.

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

Opinion filed September 26, 2003.

Petition Seeking Belated Appeal -- Original Jurisdiction.

George F. Schaefer, Gainesville, for petitioner.

Charlie Crist, Attorney General, and Thomas H. Duffy, Assistant Attorney General, Tallahassee, for respondent.

PER CURIAM.

The petition is granted and Keith Dwayne Head is hereby afforded a belated appeal from denial of postconviction relief in Alachua County case number 1996-4425-CF-A. Upon issuance of mandate in this cause, a copy of this opinion will be provided to the clerk of the lower tribunal to be treated as a notice of appeal. Fla. R. App. P. 9.141(c)(5)(D).

PETITION GRANTED.

BOOTH, DAVIS and PADOVANO, JJ., concur.