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

RONALD D. SMALL,

Petitioner,

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

v.

CASE NO. 1D05-2336

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

Opinion filed September 13, 2005.

Petition Seeking Belated Appeal -- Original Jurisdiction.

Ronald D. Small, petitioner, pro se.

Charlie Crist, Attorney General, and Elizabeth Fletcher-Duffy, Assistant Attorney General, Tallahassee, for respondent.

PER CURIAM.

The petition seeking a belated appeal of the judgment and sentence rendered July 17, 2003, in Duval County Circuit Court case number 16-2003-CF-2417-AXXX-MA, is granted. Upon issuance of mandate, a copy of this opinion shall be provided to the clerk of the circuit court for treatment as a notice of appeal. <u>See</u> Fla. R. App. P. 9.141(c)(5)(B). If petitioner qualifies for the appointment of counsel, the circuit court shall appoint counsel to represent him on appeal.

ALLEN, WEBSTER and PADOVANO, JJ., concur.