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

JUAN AQUINO, NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND Appellant, DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

v.

CASE NO. 1D06-5681

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Appellee.

Opinion filed June 27, 2007.

An appeal from the Circuit Court for Leon County. Kathleen F. Dekker, Judge.

Juan Aquino, pro se, Appellant.

Bill McCollum, Attorney General, and Terry P. Roberts, Assistant Attorney General, Tallahassee, for Appellee.

PER CURIAM.

Appellant, Juan Aquino, appeals an order summarily denying his amended postconviction motion filed pursuant to Florida Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.850. Concluding that the trial court erred in ruling that the amended motion was untimely and successive, we reverse the order and remand. <u>See Haag v. State</u>, 591 So. 2d 614, 617 (Fla. 1992) (adopting the mailbox rule, which provides that a motion is considered filed when a pro se inmate presents it to the correctional institution for mailing); <u>Nunez-Medina v. State</u>, 817 So. 2d 937, 939 (Fla. 1st DCA 2002) ("The restriction against successive motions on the same grounds is applied only when the grounds raised were previously adjudicated on their merits, and not where the previous motion was summarily denied or dismissed as legally insufficient."). On remand, the trial court is instructed to determine whether Appellant's amended motion is facially sufficient. If the court so determines, it must attach portions of the record conclusively refuting Appellant's claims, hold an evidentiary hearing, or grant relief.

REVERSED and REMANDED for further proceedings.

DAVIS and POLSTON, JJ., and LAWRENCE, JR., L. ARTHUR, SENIOR JUDGE, CONCUR.