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

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND

DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

KEITH ERROL HOGARTH,

Appellant,

v.

CASE NO. 1D06-6427

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Appellee.

Opinion filed December 17, 2007.

An appeal from the Circuit Court for Duval County. Hugh A. Carithers, Judge.

Keith Errol Hogarth, pro se, Appellant.

Bill McCollum, Attorney General, Giselle Lylen Rivera and Elizabeth F. Duffy, Assistant Attorneys General, Tallahassee, for Appellee.

PER CURIAM.

The appellant challenges the trial court's order denying his petition for writ of habeas corpus which was treated as a rule 3.850 motion. Because the trial court's order was issued while the appellant's direct appeal of judgment and sentence was pending, we reverse.

The trial court erred in ruling on the appellant's motion for postconviction relief

while the appellant's case was the subject of a pending direct appeal. <u>See McDaniel</u> <u>v. State</u>, 789 So. 2d 1223, 1224 (Fla. 1st DCA 2003). Instead, the trial court should have dismissed the motion with leave to refile after the direct appeal was final. <u>See Matthew v. State</u>, 889 So. 2d 893 (Fla. 2d DCA 2004).

Accordingly, the trial court's order is reversed and the cause remanded to the trial court with instructions to dismiss the appellant's motion for lack of jurisdiction without prejudice.

REVERSED AND REMANDED. POLSTON, HAWKES, and THOMAS, JJ., CONCUR.