

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

RALPH MONROE,

Petitioner,

v.

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

CASE NO. 1D16-4672

STATE OF FLORIDA,

Respondent.

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Opinion filed July 24, 2017.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari.

Michael Ufferman, Tallahassee, for Petitioner.

Pamela Jo Bondi, Attorney General, and Trisha Meggs Pate, Tallahassee Bureau Chief, Criminal Appeals, Tallahassee, for Respondent.

PER CURIAM.

As the issue raised in the instant petition has been considered and rejected by this Court in Andrews v. State, -- So. 3d --, 42 Fla. L. Weekly D990, 2017 WL 1655247 (Fla. 1st DCA May 2, 2017), we deny the petition. However, as we did in Andrews, we certify the following question as one of great importance:

WHETHER AN INDIGENT DEFENDANT WHO IS REPRESENTED BY PRIVATE COUNSEL PRO BONO IS ENTITLED TO FILE MOTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENT AND COSTS OF EXPERTS, MITIGATION SPECIALISTS, AND INVESTIGATORS EX PARTE AND UNDER SEAL, WITH SERVICE TO THE JUSTICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION AND NOTICE TO THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND TO HAVE ANY HEARING ON SUCH MOTIONS EX PARTE, WITH ONLY THE DEFENDANT AND THE COMMISSION PRESENT.

PETITION DENIED.

LEWIS, ROBERTS, and BILBREY, JJ., CONCUR.