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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL

OF FLORIDA

THIRD DISTRICT

JANUARY TERM, A.D. 2003

MARIO VENERO,				* *				
			Appellant,		* *			
	vs.				* *	CASE NO.	3D02	2-3387
THE	STATE	OF	FLORIDA,		* *	LOWER TRIBUNAL	NO.	97-34954
			Appellee.		* *			

Opinion filed March 31, 2004.

An Appeal under Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.141(b)(2)from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County, Peter R. Lopez, Judge.

Ileana Haedo, for appellee.

Charles J. Crist, Jr., Attorney General, and Thomas C. Mielke, Assistant Attorney General, for appellee.

Before COPE, SHEVIN and WELLS, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

We reverse, in part, the order denying defendant's postconviction relief motion. The record does not conclusively refute defendant's claim that counsel was ineffective for failing to move to sever the possession of a firearm by a violent career criminal charge. Therefore, we reverse the portion of the order denying relief on that basis and remand for an evidentiary hearing.

Affirmed in part; reversed in part and remanded.