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MISTY DAWN BOYER,

Appellant-Defendant,

vs.

STATE OF INDIANA,

Appellee-Plaintiff.

No. 82A04-0706-CR-349

APPEAL FROM THE VANDERBURGH SUPERIOR COURT ______, Judge The Honorable Terrell R. Maurer, Magistrate The Honorable Jill R. Marcrum, Magistrate Cause No.82D05-0612-CM-9473

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Case Summary and Issue

Following a bench trial, Misty Boyer appeals her conviction of battery, a Class A misdemeanor. The record indicates that on June 6, 2007, the magistrate presiding over the bench trial entered a finding of guilty and ordered a sentence of 180 days, which would be suspended if Boyer successfully completed a domestic abuse intervention program. However, the record does not indicate whether the magistrate's finding received judicial approval in the form of a judgment of conviction. <u>See</u> Ind. Code § 35-38-1-1(a) ("[A]fter a verdict, finding, or plea of guilty, if a new trial is not granted, the court shall enter a judgment of conviction."); Ind. Crim. Rule 15.1 ("Subject to the provisions set forth by statute, . . . upon a decision of the court, the court shall promptly prepare and sign the judgment, and the clerk shall thereupon enter the judgment in the Record of Judgments and Orders and note the entry of the judgment in the Chronological Case Summary."). Accordingly, we remand to the trial court for its consideration and instruct the trial court to take action within fifteen days of its receipt of this opinion.

We retain jurisdiction of this appeal pending action by the trial court.

Remanded.

FRIEDLANDER, J., and MATHIAS, J., concur.