

**FILED: May 16, 2012**

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

STATE OF OREGON,  
Plaintiff-Respondent,

v.

JOSE ANGEL DELAPORTILLA,  
Defendant-Appellant.

Washington County Circuit Court  
C090319CR

A143799

Marco Hernandez, Judge.

On appellant's petition for reconsideration filed January 25, 2012, and respondent's response to petition for reconsideration filed February 15, 2012. Opinion filed December 21, 2011. 247 Or App 316, 269 P3d 94.

Peter Gartlan, Chief Defender, and Jedediah Peterson, Deputy Public Defender, Office of Public Defense Services, for petition.

John R. Kroger, Attorney General, Anna M. Joyce, Solicitor General, and Jamie K. Contreras, Assistant Attorney General, for response.

Before Schuman, Presiding Judge, and Wollheim, Judge, and Nakamoto, Judge.

SCHUMAN, P. J.

Reconsideration allowed; former disposition withdrawn; conviction for second-degree assault reversed and remanded for entry of judgment of conviction for fourth-degree assault, ORS 163.160; remanded for resentencing; otherwise affirmed.

1 SCHUMAN, P. J.

2 Defendant was convicted of one count of first-degree assault, ORS 163.185  
3 (Count 1), one count of second-degree assault, ORS 163.175 (Count 2), two counts of  
4 third-degree assault, ORS 163.165 (Counts 3 and 5), and one count of strangulation, ORS  
5 163.187 (Count 11). On appeal, defendant argued that the trial court erred in denying his  
6 motions for judgment of acquittal on Counts 1, 2, 3, and 5. This court concluded that the  
7 trial court erred in denying defendant's motion for judgment of acquittal with respect to  
8 Count 2, which alleged the crime of second-degree assault. Specifically, we reversed  
9 defendant's conviction for assault in the second degree because the state failed to  
10 establish that defendant had used a dangerous weapon to fracture the two-year-old  
11 victim's skull. [State v. Delaportilla](#), 247 Or App 316, 269 P3d 94 (2011). We then  
12 remanded for entry of a conviction for assault in the third degree, explaining:

13 "The charging instrument and defendant's convictions include assault in the  
14 third degree for injury to the rib of the same victim, 'a child 10 years of age  
15 or younger, the said defendant being at least 18 years of age.' The jury thus  
16 having found the element of assault in the third degree under ORS  
17 163.165(1)(h), we conclude that it is appropriate to remand for entry of a  
18 conviction of third-degree assault."

19 *Id.* at 320.

20 Defendant has filed a petition for reconsideration, challenging our remand  
21 for entry of a conviction for assault in the third degree. Defendant does not dispute that  
22 the indictment alleged and that the state proved that the victim was younger than 10 years  
23 of age and that defendant was at least 18 years of age. However, defendant contends that,  
24 because those facts were alleged only in Counts 3 and 5 and not in Count 2, assault in the

1 third degree based on the victim's and offender's ages is not a lesser-included offense of  
2 assault in the second degree as alleged in Count 2, and the proper remedy is to remand to  
3 the trial court for entry of a conviction for the lesser-included offense of fourth-degree  
4 assault.

5           Defendant contends, in essence, that the remand must be for a lesser-  
6 included offense whose elements were alleged in the conviction that we reversed and that  
7 it is not enough that the facts of assault in the third degree are recited in the indictment  
8 allegations relating to a different count for which defendant was convicted; rather, in  
9 defendant's view, assault in the third degree must have been a lesser-included offense of  
10 the offense charged in Count 2. In support, defendant cites *State v. Drake*, 113 Or App  
11 16, 832 P2d 44 (1992), a sentencing case in which we held that, although the sentencing  
12 subcategory factors relating to the necessary injury component might have been gleaned  
13 from other counts, each count had to be sentenced as a separate offense; subcategory  
14 circumstances from one offense cannot be borrowed to enhance sentencing for a different  
15 offense. Defendant also cites *State v. Johnson*, 80 Or App 350, 722 P2d 1266 (1986),  
16 *overruled in part on other grounds*, [\*State v. Caldwell\*](#), 187 Or App 720, 69 P3d 830  
17 (2003), a case involving the sufficiency of the indictment in which we held that  
18 allegations from one count could not be used to form the proper specificity of allegations  
19 in a different count. Defendant asserts that the reasoning of both of those cases requires  
20 the conclusion that counts must be treated separately and that we may look only to the  
21 allegations of Count 2 to determine what lesser offense is supported by the record.

1           The state counters that the court has authority under the Oregon  
2 Constitution to direct reformation of the conviction to a lesser offense and entry of the  
3 conviction that the court determines should have been entered below, and that the record  
4 in this case clearly shows that the appropriate conviction is assault in the third degree, a  
5 lesser offense that was alleged in the indictment and of which defendant was convicted.

6 Article VII (Amended), section 3, of the Oregon Constitution provides, in part:

7           "If the supreme court shall be of the opinion, after consideration of  
8 all the matters thus submitted, that the judgment of the court was such as  
9 should have been rendered in the case, such judgment shall be affirmed,  
10 notwithstanding any error committed during the trial; or if, in any respect,  
11 the judgment appealed from should be changed, and the supreme court shall  
12 be of opinion that it can determine what judgment should have been entered  
13 in the court below, it shall direct such judgment to be entered in the same  
14 manner and with like effect as decrees are now entered in equity cases on  
15 appeal to the supreme court."

16           The state also points out that lesser-included offenses need not have been  
17 alleged in the indictment in order to be entered on remand. *See, e.g., State v. Woodson,*  
18 *315 Or 314, 845 P2d 203 (1993).* The state further cites [\*State v. Hale\*](#), *335 Or 612, 619-*  
19 *21, 75 P3d 448 (2003), cert den, Hale v. Oregon, 541 US 942 (2004),* in which the  
20 Supreme Court upheld a defendant's aggravated murder conviction with third-degree  
21 sexual abuse as an aggravating factor, even though the defendant had not been charged  
22 with committing third-degree sexual abuse. The court stated that the evidence at trial was  
23 sufficient to support multiple theories of responsibility for third-degree sexual abuse.  
24 Here, the state contends, not only does the record support a third-degree assault  
25 conviction, but defendant was actually charged with and convicted of assault in the third

1 degree based on the same age-based factual predicate of ORS 163.165(1)(h) that provides  
2 the source for entry of a third-degree assault conviction on remand. In the state's view, as  
3 long as the indictment alleges the necessary facts--even in a different count--and  
4 especially when, as here, the defendant has been convicted of that offense including those  
5 facts, we may remand for entry of conviction of that lesser offense.

6           We agree with defendant. A court cannot convict on a charge for which the  
7 defendant was not indicted unless the conviction is for an offense that is a lesser-included  
8 offense "within the offense charged in the indictment." *State v. Cook*, 163 Or App 578,  
9 581, 989 P2d 474 (1999). One offense is a lesser-included offense of another only when  
10 the elements of the former are subsumed in the latter or the facts alleged in the charging  
11 instrument expressly include conduct that describes the elements of the lesser-included  
12 offense, *id.*, as happens, for example, when the offense of conviction is an attempt to  
13 commit the crime charged. None of the cases cited by the state stands for the proposition,  
14 or implies, that an element charged and proved with respect to one count in an indictment  
15 can be imported into another count. Such a proposition would be irreconcilable with the  
16 clear import of *Drake*, 113 Or App at 19. If each count in an indictment states a separate  
17 offense whose elements cannot be shifted or transferred to other counts for purposes of  
18 sentencing, we fail to see why the rule should be different for purposes of conviction.  
19 And to hold that such shifting is authorized by Article VII (Amended), section 3, proves  
20 too much; if an appellate court has the authority under that section to enter a judgment "in  
21 the court below" based on any combination of facts that are alleged and proved in any of

1 the counts of a multi-count indictment, a defendant could potentially be convicted of a  
2 number and variety of uncharged crimes.

3           Reconsideration allowed; former disposition withdrawn; conviction for  
4 second-degree assault reversed and remanded for entry of judgment of conviction for  
5 fourth-degree assault, ORS 163.160; remanded for resentencing; otherwise affirmed.