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"Pro se brief"

Arkevus Jimon Caughen

Appellate Case #

2022-001268

I would like to address my issues to the Court of Appeals. My name is Arkevus Caughen Appellate Case # 2022-001268. I have two issues that I would like the Court of Appeals to look at concerning my appeal. The first argument I would like to address is my directed Verdict motion.

My lawyer Mr. William Frick requested for a directed verdict in my trial due to lack of substantial evidence. The law states that a judge should not deny a directed verdict based on a belief of guilt but must have proof of guilt. The two key evidence they used against me was DNA under finger-nails and gun buried in my backyard. The DNA evidence didn't prove me and victim had a physical struggle in which the DNA expert could not explain how it got there. The gun in backyard that belong to victim had no time frame as how long the gun been in my possession. My second argument

is the gun in my backyard the
officers recovered was illegally
obtained. Mr. Frick put in a
motion to suppress the gun evidence
due to the officers went out the
scope of the search warrant. It
also violated my constitutional
right to privacy. I would like the
court of appeals to look into this
issue that's clearly present in my
transcript. Court of appeals should
reverse my conviction based on these
to arguments.

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