SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA



SUPREME COURT BUILDING 100 NORTH NINTH STREET RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23219 (804) 786-2259

Granted Appeal Summary

Case

NAKIA DURHAM v. COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA (Record Number 230599)

From

The Court of Appeals of Virginia.

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Assignments of Error

- I. The Court of Appeals erred in affirming the trial court's denial of the Appellant's motion to suppress evidence obtained as a result of the search of the Appellant's vehicle because the police officers did not have probable cause to search the vehicle predicated on the observations of a cup containing a suspected alcoholic beverage and a previously opened liquor bottle in the rear passenger compartment.
- II. The Court of Appeals erred in affirming the trial court's denial of the Appellant's motions to strike as to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon in violation of Virginia Code § 18.2-308.2 and carrying a concealed weapon in violation of Virginia Code § 18.2-308 because the evidence presented did not establish that the Appellant was ever in either actual or constructive possession of the revolver seized from the center console of his vehicle.