

VIA: ZOOM, THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022, AT 9:00 A.M.

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 47832

STATE OF IDAHO,)
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 Plaintiff-Respondent,)
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 v.)
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 RANDALL CHARLES DOYLE,)
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 Defendant-Appellant.)
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Appeal from the District Court of the First Judicial District, State of Idaho, Benewah County. Hon. Scott Wayman, District Judge.

Phelps & Associates, PS; Douglas D. Phelps, Spokane, Washington, for appellant.

Hon. Lawrence G. Wasden, Attorney General; Kacey L. Jones, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

Law enforcement was called to Randall Charles Doyle's residence after he used a pistol to shoot a man who was brandishing a weapon and had allegedly broken into his trailer. It was later discovered that Doyle was a convicted felon and had acquired the pistol the day before the incident. The State charged Doyle with unlawful possession of a firearm, Idaho Code § 18-3316(1). Doyle argued he attained the gun for self-defense, which justified his unlawful possession. After a bench trial, the district court rejected Doyle's constitutional, statutory and common law arguments and defenses and determined that Doyle unlawfully possessed the pistol. Doyle appeals his judgment of conviction of unlawful possession of a firearm again arguing that his possession of the pistol was lawful because he was defending himself.