

SUMMARY STATEMENT

State v. Flores

No. 43946

In a case arising out of Twin Falls County, the Idaho Supreme Court affirmed the district court's orders relinquishing jurisdiction over Sonnie Flores and denying Flores's motion to reinstate jurisdiction. The district court relinquished jurisdiction over Flores after learning he had been classified as a security risk in his retained jurisdiction program, concluding he was not a suitable candidate for probation. Thereafter, Flores filed a motion for reconsideration in which he requested the district court to reinstate jurisdiction, but the district court denied the motion. On appeal, the Idaho Supreme Court affirmed. The Court held that the district court did not abuse its discretion by relinquishing jurisdiction over Flores because the district court correctly perceived the issue as discretionary, acted within its discretion and consistently with relevant legal standards, and reached its decision by an exercise of reason. Further, the Court held that the district court properly denied Flores's motion for reconsideration because neither Idaho Criminal Rule 35 nor Idaho Code section 19-2601(4), which governs the retained jurisdiction program, provided Flores a basis to request reconsideration of the district court's order relinquishing jurisdiction. Accordingly, the Court affirmed both orders of the district court.