

SUMMARY STATEMENT

State of Idaho v. Emerson Clyde Buck, IV

Docket No. 49110

Emerson Clyde Buck, IV, appeals from his judgment of conviction after a jury found him guilty of first degree murder with a deadly weapon enhancement, Idaho Code §§ 18-4001, -4002, -4003, 19-2520, and misdemeanor resisting and obstructing, I.C. § 18-705. Buck argues the district court erred in denying his challenge to the State's exercise of a peremptory challenge under *Batson v. Kentucky*, 476 U.S. 79 (1986). He also argues the district court abused its discretion and violated his constitutional right to present a defense by limiting his cross-examination of a detective who investigated the murder and by limiting Buck's closing argument. Finally, Buck argues the accumulated evidentiary errors deprived him of a fair trial. The State argues the district court did not err, and even if the court did err, any error was harmless, and Buck is not entitled to relief based on cumulative error.

On appeal, Buck's judgment of conviction is affirmed. The Court of Appeals concluded the district court did not err in finding the State did not peremptorily strike a prospective juror with discriminatory intent. Similarly, the Court of Appeals found the district court did not err in its ruling on the evidentiary issues.

This summary constitutes no part of the opinion of the Court, but has been prepared by court staff for the convenience of the public.