

SIXTH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF FLORIDA

Lace Melitta Heflin v. State of Florida

Heflin · No. 6D2025-3039 · Decided May 1, 2026

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

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_____ Case No. 6D2025-3039 Lower Tribunal No. 2016-CF-
000914 _____ LACE MELITTA HEFLIN, Appellant, v. STATE OF
FLORIDA, Appellee. _____ Appeal pursuant to Fla. R. App. P.
9.141(b)(2) from the Circuit Court for Highlands County. David V. Ward, Judge.

May 1, 2026 PER CURIAM. AFFIRMED. See *Ratliff v. State*, 914 So. 2d 938, 940 (Fla. 2005) (“[T]he Legislature, by prescribing a sentence of life imprisonment, intends that the defendant remain in prison for the rest of his life.

The term ‘life’ is sufficiently definite so that it can be understood and applied.”). TRAVER, C.J., and WOZNIAK and MIZE, JJ., concur. Lace Melitta Heflin, Ocala, pro se. James Uthmeier, Attorney General, Tallahassee, and Ceresse Crawford Taylor, Chief Assistant Attorney General, Tampa, for Appellee. NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND DISPOSITION THEREOF IF TIMELY FILED