

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

Fistzgiles v. State

No. 350, 2025 · No. No. 350, 2025 · Decided December 18, 2025

SUMMARY

The Delaware Supreme Court affirmed the Superior Court’s denial of Anthony Fistzgiles’s motion for correction of an illegal sentence. The court granted the State’s motion to affirm based on the Superior Court’s July 30, 2025 order.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of the State of Delaware
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Collins J. Seitz, Jr., Chief Justice; Karen L. Valihura, Justice; Griffiths, Justice
JURISDICTION	Supreme Court of the State of Delaware
DECIDED	December 18, 2025
DOCKET	No. 350, 2025
DISPOSITION	affirmed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Appeal from the Superior Court's order denying the appellant's motion for correction of illegal sentence.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published
PARTIES	Anthony Fistzgiles v. State of Delaware

TOPICS

- appellate procedure
- sentencing
- sentence modification
- post-conviction relief

PRACTICE AREAS

- Criminal procedure
- Appellate procedure
- Post-conviction relief

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the Superior Court's denial of the appellant's motion for correction of illegal sentence should be affirmed.

HOLDINGS

1. The Superior Court's judgment denying the appellant's motion for correction of illegal sentence was affirmed.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“After careful consideration of the opening brief, motion to affirm, and the record on appeal, the Court concludes that the judgment below should be affirmed on the basis of the Superior Court’s July 30, 2025 order denying the appellant’s motion for correction of illegal sentence.”

“NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the motion to affirm is GRANTED, and the judgment of the Superior Court is AFFIRMED.”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The record before the Supreme Court concerned the appellant's challenge to his sentence through a motion for correction of illegal sentence. The Superior Court denied that motion on July 30, 2025. The Supreme Court resolved the appeal based on that order and the appellate record, without discussing the underlying criminal facts.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Superior Court of the State of Delaware denied Anthony Fistzgiles's motion for correction of illegal sentence in an order dated July 30, 2025. On appeal, the State filed a motion to affirm, and the Supreme Court of Delaware granted that motion and affirmed the Superior Court's judgment.

DISPOSITION

affirmed

CASES CITED

- State v. Fistzgiles, 2025 WL 2172296 (Del. Super. Ct. July 30, 2025)

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

ANTHONY FISTZGILES, §

§ Defendant Below, § No. 350, 2025 Appellant, § § Court Below—Superior Court v. § of the State of Delaware §

STATE OF DELAWARE, § Cr. ID No. 2108007590 (N)

§ Appellee. § Submitted: October 7, 2025 Decided: December 18, 2025 Before SEITZ, Chief Justice; VALIHURA and GRIFFITHS, Justices.

ORDER

After careful consideration of the opening brief, motion to affirm, and the record on appeal, the Court concludes that the judgment below should be affirmed on the basis of the Superior Court's July 30, 2025 order denying the appellant's motion for correction of illegal sentence.¹ NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the motion to affirm is GRANTED, and the judgment of the Superior Court is AFFIRMED. BY THE COURT: /s/ Collins J. Seitz, Jr. Chief Justice 1 State v. Fisztgiles, 2025 WL 2172296 (Del. Super. Ct. July 30, 2025).