

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, APPELLATE DIVISION,
SECOND JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

People v. Hayes

2026 NY Slip Op 01224 · No. 2023-07504 · Decided March 4, 2026

SUMMARY

The New York Appellate Division, Second Department, affirmed Sidney B. Hayes's sentence following his guilty plea. The court held that the period of postrelease supervision imposed as part of the sentence was not excessive.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of the State of New York, Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Francesca E. Connolly, J.P.; Valerie Brathwaite Nelson, J.; Barry E. Warhit, J.; Lourdes M. Ventura, J.; Susan Quirk, J.
JURISDICTION	New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Second Department
DECIDED	March 4, 2026
DOCKET	2023-07504
DISPOSITION	affirmed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The defendant appealed, as limited by his motion, from a sentence imposed after his guilty plea, challenging the period of postrelease supervision as excessive.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published appellate opinion
PARTIES	Sidney B. Hayes v. The People of the State of New York

TOPICS

- sentencing
- appellate procedure
- criminal procedure
- standard of review

PRACTICE AREAS

- criminal law
- appellate practice
- sentencing

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the period of postrelease supervision imposed as part of the defendant's sentence was excessive.

HOLDINGS

1. The period of postrelease supervision imposed as part of the sentence was not excessive.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The defendant pleaded guilty in Supreme Court, Queens County. On July 28, 2023, the court imposed a sentence that included a period of postrelease supervision, which the defendant challenged on appeal as excessive.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Hayes pleaded guilty in Supreme Court, Queens County. The court imposed sentence on July 28, 2023, and Hayes appealed the sentence insofar as it included an allegedly excessive period of postrelease supervision.

DISPOSITION

affirmed

CASES CITED

- People v. Suitte, 90 AD2d 80

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department FRANCESCA E. CONNOLLY, J.P.

VALERIE BRATHWAITE NELSON

BARRY E. WARHIT

LOURDES M. VENTURA

SUSAN QUIRK, JJ. 2023-07504

[*1]The People of the State of New York, respondent, v Sidney B. Hayes, appellant. (S.C.I. No. 72454/23) Patricia Pazner, New York, NY (Tammy E. Linn of counsel; Maris G. Medina on the memorandum), for appellant. Melinda Katz, District Attorney, Kew Gardens, NY (Johnnette Traill and Danielle S. Fenn of counsel; Delorane Daley on the memorandum), for respondent. DECISION & ORDER Appeal by the defendant, as limited by his motion, from a sentence of the Supreme Court, Queens County (Mary L. Bejarano, J., at plea; Frances Y. Wang, J., at sentence), imposed July 28, 2023, upon his plea of guilty, on the ground that the period of postrelease supervision imposed as part of the sentence was excessive. ORDERED that the

sentence is affirmed. Contrary to the defendant's contention, the period of postrelease supervision imposed as part of the sentence was not excessive (see *People v Suite* , 90 AD2d 80).
CONNOLLY, J.P., BRATHWAITE NELSON, WARHIT, VENTURA and QUIRK, JJ., concur.
ENTER: Darrell M. Joseph Clerk of the Court

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