

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

People v. Feliciano

2025 NY Slip Op 07313 (Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York Second Judicial
Department 2025) · No. 2023-08675 · Decided December 24, 2025

SUMMARY

The Appellate Division, Second Department affirmed Daniel Feliciano's judgment of conviction for criminal possession of stolen property in the fifth degree following his guilty plea. The court held that his challenge to mandatory surcharges and fees was unpreserved and declined to review it in the interest of justice, and it rejected his ineffective-assistance-of-counsel claim.

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

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McMahon, District Attorney, Staten Island, NY (Thomas B. Litsky and Nicole Kaye of counsel),
for respondent.

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plea of guilty, and imposing sentence. ORDERED that the judgment is affirmed.

The defendant's contention that the mandatory surcharge and fees imposed at sentencing (see
Penal Law § 60.35[1][a]) should be waived pursuant to CPL 420.35(2-a) is unpreserved for
appellate review (see id. § 470.05[2]; People v Jawan Lee, 236 AD3d 924; People v Taj W., 235
AD3d 1016, 1016).

Under the circumstances, and in the absence of the People's consent, we decline to reach the issue in the exercise of our interest of justice jurisdiction (see People v Clarke, _____ AD3d _____, 2025 NY Slip Op 06070).

The defendant's contention that he was denied the effective assistance of counsel at sentencing based on defense counsel's failure to request that the mandatory surcharge and fees be waived is without merit (see People v Robinson, 176 AD3d 877).

The defendant failed "to demonstrate the absence of strategic or other legitimate explanations" for defense counsel's alleged shortcoming at the sentencing proceeding (People v Rivera, 71 NY2d 705, 709). Under the circumstances, the defendant failed to establish that he received the ineffective assistance of counsel under either the federal or state constitutional standards (see generally Strickland v Washington, 466 US 668; People v Benevento, 91 NY2d 708, 714).

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