

THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF FLORIDA

Antoine Leffort Louissaint v. State of Florida

No. 3D25-1528 · No. No. 3D25-1528 · Decided March 18, 2026

SUMMARY

The Third District Court of Appeal of Florida affirmed the lower court's decision in an appeal concerning entitlement to credit against fines and costs under section 951.16, Florida Statutes. The court relied on the statute and Hernandez v. State in concluding that the appellant was not entitled to relief.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Third District Court of Appeal of Florida
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Chief Judge SCALES; Judge LINDSEY; Judge GOODEN
JURISDICTION	Florida Third District Court of Appeal
DECIDED	March 18, 2026
DOCKET	No. 3D25-1528
DISPOSITION	affirmed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Appeal from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County in a criminal matter.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published
PARTIES	Antoine Leffort Louissaint v. State of Florida

TOPICS

- appellate procedure
- criminal procedure
- sentencing
- statutory interpretation

PRACTICE AREAS

- criminal appellate procedure
- criminal sentencing
- fines and costs
- county-jail confinement credit

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether Louissaint was entitled to appellate relief under section 951.16, Florida Statutes, concerning credit against a fine or costs for time imprisoned in county jail.

HOLDINGS

1. Louissaint was not entitled to appellate relief under the relevant statute, and the circuit court's decision was affirmed.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Every person who may be imprisoned in the county jail for failure to pay a fine and costs, or either, under sentence imposed upon conviction for crime shall be entitled to receive, together with subsistence, a credit on such fine and costs, or either, as the case may be, in proportion to the time such person may be imprisoned.”

(2)

“Because the initial brief establishes the lack of entitlement to relief under the relevant statute, we affirm.”

(2)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The opinion provides no factual narrative concerning the underlying offense or sentence. It addresses an appeal involving the statutory credit available to a person imprisoned in county jail for failure to pay a fine or costs.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Antoine Leffort Louissaint appealed from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County. The Third District Court of Appeal affirmed in a per curiam disposition, concluding that the appellant was not entitled to relief under the relevant statute.

DISPOSITION

affirmed

CASES CITED

- Hernandez v. State, 419 So. 3d 677, 677 (Fla. 3d DCA 2025)

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

Third District Court of Appeal State of Florida Opinion filed March 18, 2026. Not final until disposition of timely filed motion for rehearing. _____ No. 3D25-1528 Lower Tribunal No. F23-5301A _____ Antoine Leffort Louissaint, Appellant, vs. State of Florida, Appellee. An Appeal from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County, Ramiro C. Areces, Judge. Antoine Leffort Louissaint, in proper person. James Uthmeier, Attorney General, and Camilo Montoya, Assistant Attorney General, for appellee. Before SCALES, C.J., and LINDSEY and GOODEN, JJ. PER CURIAM. Affirmed. See § 951.16, Fla. Stat. (“Every person who may be imprisoned in the county jail for failure to pay a fine and costs, or either, under sentence imposed upon conviction for crime shall be entitled to receive, together with subsistence, a credit on such

fine and costs, or either, as the case may be, in proportion to the time such person may be imprisoned.”); *Hernandez v. State*, 419 So. 3d 677, 677 (Fla. 3d DCA 2025) (“Because the initial brief establishes the lack of entitlement to relief under the relevant statute, we affirm.”). 2