



SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA
Case No. S18C0310

Atlanta, April 16, 2018

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed.

MAHA Z. RAYAN v. THE STATE

The Supreme Court today denied the petition for certiorari in this case. All the Justices concur.

Court of Appeals Case No. A18A0104

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

Clerk's Office, Atlanta

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Theresa A. Barnes

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Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

ATLANTA, August 30, 2017

The Court of Appeals hereby passes the following order:

A18A0104. MAHA Z. RAYAN v. THE STATE.

Maha Z. Rayan has been charged by accusation with theft by shoplifting. She filed this direct appeal on April 7, 2017, challenging two pre-trial orders that were entered in January 2017.¹ We lack jurisdiction because the appeal is untimely.

A notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days after the entry of the trial court's order. OCGA § 5-6-38 (a). The proper and timely filing of a notice of appeal is an absolute requirement to confer jurisdiction upon this Court. *Couch v. United Paperworkers Intl. Union*, 224 Ga. App. 721 (482 SE2d 704) (1997). Here, Rayan filed her notice of appeal more than two months after the trial court's orders were entered. Accordingly, we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal, and it is hereby DISMISSED.

The State has filed a motion to dismiss, arguing that we lack jurisdiction for reasons other than the untimeliness of the notice of appeal. That motion is DENIED AS MOOT.

¹ Rayan directed her appeal to the Supreme Court, which transferred the case here.

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Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

ATLANTA, September 21, 2017

The Court of Appeals hereby passes the following order

A18A0104. MAHA Z. RAYAN v. THE STATE.

Upon consideration of the APPELLANT'S Motion for Reconsideration in the above styled case, it is ordered that the motion is hereby DENIED.



Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

Clerk's Office, Atlanta, September 21, 2017.

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Clerk's Office, Atlanta, 08/30/2017

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SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA
Case No. S18C0310

Atlanta, May 21, 2018

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.
The following order was passed.

MAHA Z. RAYAN v. THE STATE

Upon consideration of the Motion for Reconsideration filed in this case, it is
ordered that it be hereby denied.

All the Justices concur.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

Clerk's Office, Atlanta

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