WASHINGTON STATE COURT OF APPEALS
DIVISION THREE

CASE SUMMARIES FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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Date of Hearing: Monday, December 14, 2020
Location: Spokane, 500 North Cedar
Video Oral Argument
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9:00 a.m.

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1)   **No.: 37024-1-III**
        Case Name: State of Washington v. Michael R. Hiatt
        County: Spokane
        Case Summary: Following a bench trial, Michael Hiatt was found guilty of possession of a stolen motor vehicle. Mr. Hiatt appeals, raising issues concerning sufficiency of the evidence, proof of his offender score, and ineffective assistance of counsel.

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2)   **No.: 36688-0-III**
      Case Name: State of Washington v. Hector Orozco, Jr.
      County: Franklin
      Case Summary: A jury convicted Hector Orozco of murder and other related offenses. Mr. Orozco appeals issues concerning the seating of one juror and the dismissal of another juror.

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3)   **No.: 36501-8-III, consolidated with No. 37035-6-III**
      Case Name: State of Washington v. Dallas J. P. Lange
      County: Klickitat
      Case Summary: A jury convicted Dallas Lange of assault in the first degree. Mr. Lange appeals, raising issues concerning the trial court's exclusion of his diminished capacity and self-defense expert, the court's decision to give a first aggressor instruction, prosecutorial misconduct, and sentencing errors.

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