

NO. 69036-1

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE
OF WASHINGTON Division One

STATE OF WASHINGTON
RESPONDANT

v.
WAYNE DUBOIS III
APPELLANT

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ON APPEAL FROM THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY,
THE HONORABLE SUSAN J. CRATCHEHEAD, JUDGE
STATEMENTS OF ADDITIONAL GROUNDS

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A. ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR

1. I was denied effective assistance of counsel when 1. Counsel failed to object to prosecutors stating of prior bad act's exact name (2) when counsel failed to object to jury instructions that stated exact name of prior bad act.
2. The trial court erred in admitting evidence of my prior bad act's under ER 404(b).
3. The trial court erred in not ~~not~~ granting motion to suppress evidence of Vosca under open view doctrine when officer's impermissibly intruded on my reasonable expectation of privacy.

Issue Pertaining to Assignments of Error

I was tried jointly on counts of first degree assault, unlawful possession of a firearm, and possession of cocaine. The assault and firearm charges stemmed from a single incident in November 2011. The cocaine possession charge arose from a separate incident in June 2011. During trial 404(b) prior bad acts balancing test was never done on record (2) Without the test being done my prior possession of a firearm was told to the jury my attorney never objected. (3) Before trial my attorney motioned to suppress evidence of Vosca it was denied.

ARGUMENT

THE TRIAL COURT ERRED IN ADMITTING EVIDENCE OF MY PRIOR BAD ACT UNDER ER 404(b)

The trial court erred in admitting evidence of my prior bad act for possession of a firearm under ER 404(b) when it failed to hold test on record.

An error in admitting evidence under ER 404 mandates reversal, only if the error materially affected the outcome of the case within a reasonable probability. *State v. Everybody Talks*, 145 Wash.2d 456, 468-139 p.3d 294 (2002) IN CLOSE CASES, the balance must be tipped in favor of the defendant. *Smith*, 106 Wn.2d at 7.

Appellate court reviews a trial court's decision to admit or deny evidence of a defendant's past crimes or bad acts for an abuse of discretion.

A trial court abuses its discretion by not following the requirements of evidence rule, relating to admission of a defendant's prior misconduct, in admitting evidence of a defendant's prior convictions or past acts. ER 404(b) before a trial court admits evidence of a defendant's past crimes or bad acts, it must: (1) find by a preponderance of the evidence that the misconduct occurred (2) identify the purpose for which the evidence is sought to

6 (3) determine whether the evidence is relevant to prove an element of the crime charged, and (4) weigh the probative value against the prejudicial effect. *State v. Thang*, 175 Wash. 2d 630, 642, 41 p.3d 1159 (2002) Here, the court did not comply with these requirements in doubtful cases, the evidence should be excluded.

Evidence of a defendant's past crimes or bad acts is not admissible to show that the defendant likely committed the crime charged, acted in conformity with prior bad act, or that I had the propensity to commit the crime.

An erroneous ruling is not reversible error unless the court determines that "within reasonable probabilities, had the error not occurred, the outcome of the trial would have been materially affected." *Smith*, 106 Wn.2d at 780 (quoting *State v. Cunningham*, 93 Wn.2d 823, 831, 613 P.2d 1139 (1980))

In this case had the court properly analyzed the prior bad act under ER 404(b) It would have concluded that the probative value of the prior bad act was not outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice before admitting the possession of a firearm the trial court should weigh necessity for its admission against pre-

(3) the Jury which it did it was mentioned 6 times in the closing arguments by the prosecutor about me having a prior conviction and exactly what that conviction was as you can see on TOP 5/29/12 p.47 Line 25, P. 51 line 25, P.60 lines (14-16), (18-20), 24, 25 - p.61, l.), (8-10) also the exact crime is stated in my Jury instructions # NO. 7, NO. 19 encl, NO. 20

Even with Jury instruction NO. 7 the evidence is highly prejudicial because the possibility exists that the Jury will vote to convict, not because they find the defendant guilty of the charged crime beyond a reasonable doubt, but because they believe the defendant deserves to be punished for a series of immoral actions." R. Lempert 3 S. Saltzburg at 218. Second the Jury may place undue weight or overestimate "the probative value of the prior act. R. Lempert 3 S. Saltzburg, at 219. Comment, 61 Wash. L. Rev. 2121-17. Overestimation problems are especially acute where the prior acts are similar to the charged crime. State v. Anderson 31, Wash. App., 352, 356, 641 p.2d 728, review denied, 97 Wash. 2d 1070 (1982); cf. State v. Pam, 98 Wash. 2d 748, 761, 659 p.2d 454 (1983) prejudice arising from introduction of prior convictions which are similar to the charged crime is great since

4 If he did it before, [49 Wn. App. 196] he probably did so this time." Finally introduction of other acts of misconduct inevitably shift the Jury's attention to the defendant's general propensity for criminality, the forbidden inference; thus the normal "presumption of innocence" is stripped away. (FN2) R. Lempert & S. Seltzberg, at 219, Comment, 61 Wash. L. Rev. at 1216.

Although the trial court cautioned the Jury with respect to prior acts evidence, that instruction has little efficacy where the evidence is erroneously introduced in the first place. See State v. Miles, 73 Wash. 2d 67, 71, 436 P.2d 198 (1968)

Even though the prior bad act was relevant to element of the firearm possession it wasn't stated or weighed on the record. The trial court did not follow criteria under Washington law 404(b) and even when the state's proposed evidence of the possession of a firearm was relevant, a trial court must evaluate evidence under rule of evidence requiring the trial court to exercise its discretion in excluding relevant evidence if its undue prejudice substantially outweighs its probative value. ER 403,

(5) Also possession of a firearm evidence was not admissible in Vosca case but could have affected the Jury's verdict on that case.

I find that with my prior bad act being brought up so many times including in the Jury instructions prejudiced me with respect to the prior bad act being relevant if the court would have done the balancing test the prior possession of a firearm would not have been more probative than prejudicial and if it was there, would be another alternative than to state the exact crime. Lastly, the possession of a firearm would not have been admissible in Vosca case.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above I find that my trial was materially affected, that if the court did a balancing test my trial would have been materially different, and I was prejudiced by the mentioning of the prior bad act in its exact name. I Ask for the convictions to be reversed and the case remanded.

Dated this 3 day of July
2013

Wynne Dubu III

6 ARGUMENT

I WAS DENIED EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL WHEN COUNSEL (1) FAILED TO OBJECT TO PROSECUTOR STATING PRIOR BAD ACTS, (2) FAILED TO OBJECT TO JURY INSTRUCTION FOR PRIOR BAD ACTS

I was denied effective assistance when counsel failed to object to prosecutor stating prejudicial prior bad acts in closing arguments, also failing to object to jury instructions stating prior bad acts in the exact name.

To establish that counsel's failure to object to evidence constituted ineffective assistance, the defendant must (1) show counsel's failure to object fell below prevailing professional norms; (2) the trial court would have sustained the objection if counsel actually had made it, and (3) the result of the trial would have differed if the trial court excluded the evidence. *State v. Sex Smith* 138 Wash. App 497, 509, 157 P.3d 901 (2007) The test of the skill and competency of counsel: After considering the entire record, was the accused afforded a fair trial [?]

= The defendant "need not show that counsel's deficient conduct more likely than not altered the outcome of the case." Strickland, 466 U.S. at 693. A reasonable probability is one sufficient to undermine confidence in the outcome of the case. Strickland, 466 U.S. at 694.

Counsel's decisions regarding whether and when to object [to prosecutors remarks] fall firmly within the category of strategic or tactical decisions. State v. Johnston, 143 W2 App 1, 19, 177 p.3d 1127 (2007)

In closing arguments the prosecutor stated I had prior convictions and exactly what that conviction was six times Check T O P 5/29/12 P.47-L.25), P.51, 25), P.60 L.14-16), 18-20), 24, 25 - P.61, 1. also may prior bad acts are in my Jury instructions # NO.7, NO.19 and, NO.20. This information of my prior possession of a firearm is highly prejudicial, if counsel would have objected to the remarks of the prosecutor, or the instructions a FR.404 (b) hearing) would have been done, with the court would have had a balancing test to: (1) find by a preponderance of the evidence that the misconduct occurred

(2) identify the purpose for which the evidence is sought to be introduced (3) determine whether the evidence is relevant to prove an element of the crime charged, and (4) weigh the probative value against the prejudicial effect. FR 404(b) For these reasons the court would have sustained the objection if it had been made by trial counsel. (2)

Do to the prejudice caused by name of the exact crime the prejudice would have outweighed the probative if weighed the court would have found alternative instead of saying exactly what the prior crime was do to this even with the Jury instruction with name of prior bad act I was prejudiced and my right to a fair trial was denied. The risk of unfair prejudice could have been reduced by sanitizing prior bad act's evidence holding test. This creates a reasonable probability that if counsel would have objected to prosecutor stating prior bad acts or Jury instructions the outcome of trial would have differed. (3)

(9) For those reasons, Counsel should have objected to prosecutor stating exactly what prior crime was and Jury instructions stating the same. Counsel's failure to do so fell below the standard expected for effective representation. Trial Counsel was well aware of the significant prejudice by stating exactly what prior crime is. Thus there was no reasonable trial strategy that would lead Counsel not to object to prior bad acts as stated this falls below prevailing professional norms (1)

Thus I have established that Counsel's failure to object to prosecutor stating prior crime and failure to object to Jury instruction constituted ineffective assistance which is my guaranteed right under the Federal and Washington Constitutions U.S. Const. amend 6; Const. art. 1 § 22.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons discussed above my convictions should be reversed and the case remanded.

DATED this 3rd day of July, 20

Wayne Dyer III

(10) STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Before trial my attorney moved to suppress the cocaine evidence, located in (Defendants Trial Brief, page 15 5/08/12)

He argued the cocaine was unlawfully seized from the car in violation of Article I Section 7 of the Washington State Constitution.

• The state responded to motion to suppress arguing I was lawfully stopped for suspicion of committing crimes. Upon a reasonable and articulable suspicion that criminal behavior was afoot the deputy's look in the windshield of the car and located suspected cocaine. Second that it would have been inevitable because it was ~~and~~ essentially under the open view next plain view that an exception to the warrant rule or to the search rule.

During the 3.6 Hearing

The prosecutor stated that police don't need to discount what they see as they're walking by a vehicle and state the deputy saw something in open view TOP 05/21/2012 p. 24 (13-16)

The court stated it wasn't just a question of walking by there were looking as much as they could look TOP 5/21/12 p. 24 (17-19) Followed by the prosecutor saying I think that's generally fair, but case law doesn't say that they can't look as much as they want to look.

(1) My attorney argued the officers were investigating what they began to investigate in the evening that the officer suspected drug use or dealing behind the bar. TOP p. 25 (17-21) he argued the windows were heavily tinted and the officers acknowledged p. 26 8-18 and that the observations were not in open view that the officers got a closer look p. 27 (1-10)

The prosecutor then said on TOP 5/21/1 p. 29 (22) - p. 30 (18) - you're right the detectives were certainly looking for something but if it's in open view the individuals can search and that there's no intent to say you can only look as much as an average person would look into that area

The court then said the prosecutor was right about the open view doctrine p. 31 (23-24) and that when somebody knows what they're looking for being able to look into a vehicle and see it. It's not surprising and it is not inconsistent with the open view doctrine p. 31 (24-25) and p. 32 line (1-4) for all of these reasons the evidence was not suppressed.

6 ARGUMENT

The court erred in not suppressing evidence.

The prosecutor gave the wrong information under the open view doctrine during the 3.6 argument which led to the evidence not being suppressed.

The officers unreasonable Intentional, Invasive look into the car violated my right to privacy, when it was even stated during the 3.6 argument.

Conclusion.

I ASK for these reasons this case be ~~reversed~~ reversed and remanded or any kind of relief the appeal courts could help with.

Dated this 3 day of July
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On this July day of 3rd, 2013.

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Name & Number

Affidavit pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, Dickerson v. Wainwright 626 F.2d 1184 (1980); Affidavit sworn as true and correct under penalty of perjury and has full force of law and does not have to be verified by Notary Public.