IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

SHAWN WARREN,		§	
		§	No. 50, 2015
I	Defendant Below-	§	
1	Appellant,	§	
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7	v.	§	Court Below—Superior Court
		§	of the State of Delaware,
STATE OF DELAWARE,		§	in and for County
		§	Cr. ID Nos. 1010007212 and
I	Plaintiff Below-	§	1010008558
A	Appellee.	§	

Submitted: February 23, 2015 Decided: March 6, 2015

Before STRINE, Chief Justice, VALIHURA, and VAUGHN, Justices.

ORDER

This 6th day of March 2015, it appears to the Court that:

- (1) On February 9, 2015, the Court received appellant's notice of appeal from a Superior Court violation of probation sentencing order entered on January 6, 2015. Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 6, a timely notice of appeal should have been filed on or before February 5, 2015.
- (2) The Chief Deputy Clerk issued a notice under Supreme Court Rule 29(b), directing appellant to show cause why the appeal should not be dismissed as untimely filed.¹ Appellant filed a response to the notice to

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¹Del. Supr. Ct. R. 6(a)(ii).

show cause on February 23, 2015. His response does not address the untimeliness of his appeal.

(3) Time is a jurisdictional requirement.² A notice of appeal must be received by the Office of the Clerk of this Court within the applicable time period in order to be effective.³ An appellant's pro se status does not excuse a failure to comply strictly with the jurisdictional requirements of Supreme Court Rule 6.⁴ Unless the appellant can demonstrate that the failure to file a timely notice of appeal is attributable to court-related personnel, the appeal cannot be considered.⁵ The appellant has not made such a showing. Accordingly, this case does not fall within the exception to the general rule that mandates the timely filing of a notice of appeal, and the appeal must be dismissed.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the appeal is DISMISSED.

BY THE COURT:

Justice

²Carr v. State, 554 A.2d 778, 779 (Del.), cert. denied, 493 U.S. 829 (1989).

³Del. Supr. Ct. R. 10(a).

⁴Smith v. State, 47 A.3d 481, 486-87 (Del. 2012).

⁵Bey v. State, 402 A.2d 362, 363 (Del. 1979).