## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

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Submitted: May 29, 2024 Decided: July 17, 2024

## ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR DISCOVERY AND INSPECTION

Upon consideration of Defendant Jonathon Dryburgh's ("Dryburgh") Motion for Discovery and Inspection (the "Discovery Motion"), the Court finds the following:

- 1. On March 15, 2018, Dryburgh pled guilty to Attempted Murder First, Robbery Second, Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, Resisting Arrest, and Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited.<sup>1</sup> On July 13, 2018, he was sentenced to 31 years (unsuspended time) at Level V, followed by decreasing levels of supervision.<sup>2</sup>
- 2. On December 26, 2018, Dryburgh filed a Motion for Postconviction Relief under Superior Court Criminal Rule 61.<sup>3</sup> An April 30, 2019 Commissioner's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> D.I. 13.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> D.I. 16.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> D.I. 17.

Report and Recommendation, recommended that the motion for postconviction relief be denied. By Order dated May 16, 2019, the Court adopted the Commissioner's Report and denied the postconviction motion.<sup>4</sup>

- 3. Dryburgh filed his Discovery Motion<sup>5</sup> on May 29, 2024, pursuant to Superior Court Criminal Rule 16, seeking production of a broad array of materials. The Discovery Motion lists 8 categories of documents Dryburgh seeks: all written and recorded statements or confessions made by Dryburgh; a written statement relating to the substance of oral statements made by him; written reports from any physical or psychological examinations of him or any alleged victims; grand jury testimony by Dryburgh; executed search warrants; a copy of his prior criminal record; and all *Brady* material.<sup>6</sup> Dryburgh does not provide any explanation for the need for this information or a legal basis upon which he is entitled to such information at this stage.
- 4. "Superior Court Criminal Rule 16 applies to pre-trial discovery and does not afford relief to a Defendant post-sentencing." "Nowhere in Rule 16 does the duty to provide discovery continue after the conviction has become final."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> D.I. 26.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> D.I. 27.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> D.I. 27.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> State v. Daniels, 2016 WL 6610319, at \*3 (Del. Super. Oct. 14, 2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> State v. Schultz, 2015 WL 4739503, at \*2 (Del. Super. July 31, 2015).

5. Accordingly, the Discovery Motion is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/Kathleen M. Miller

The Honorable Kathleen M. Miller

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