IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,
Plaintiff.

CASE NO. 98-05739CF10A

JUDGE: HOROWITZ

v.

ERNESTO BEHRENS

Defendant.

ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR REHEARING OF MOTION FOR DNA TESTING

THIS CAUSE comes before this Court upon the Defendant's Motion for Rehearing of Motion for DNA Testing, brought pursuant to Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.853. Having considered the Defendant's Motion, the State's Response, the Court file, applicable law, and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, this Court finds as follows:

On or about August 9, 2004, Defendant filed the instant motion for rehearing in which he claims that this court overlooked his claim that "previous DNA testing results were inconclusive and subsequent scientific developments would likely produce a definite result." Defendant's claim is without merit. This Court found that the testing was not "inconclusive" as Defendant claims. As noted in the order denying relief, based on the DNA found on the sheet, the odds that someone else was the perpetrator were one in fourteen billion. The rule does not provide for additional testing based on contested testing methods. Newberry v. State, 870 So. 2d 926 (Fla. 4th DCA 2004). Accordingly, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendant's Motion for Rehearing of Motion for Post Conviction DNA Testing is hereby DENIED.

DONE AND ORDERED on this 31 day of 6, 2004, in Chambers, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida.

ALFRED J. HOROWITZ CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

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Defendant: Ernesto Behrens

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