IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES OF THE FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION

CSKT,) Cause No. AF-14-1833-CR
Appellee/Plaintiff v.	ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL
THOMAS LOZEAU, III Appellant/Defendant)

On January 26, 2016, Thomas Lozeau, III filed a Notice of Appeal with this Court. The basis for his appeal was an order entitled "Order Bench Trial" dated December 29, 2016 finding Lozeau guilty of Obstructing a Law Enforcement Officer or Other Tribal Public Servant. On February 3, 2016, CSKT filed a Motion to Dismiss. The basis for the Motion was that this case is not ripe for review since Mr. Lozeau had not been sentenced yet and therefore, the matter was not yet final. Mr. Lozeau failed to respond to the Motion to Dismiss.

Mr. Lozeau, III then filed another appeal upon sentencing. The Court has reviewed the Motion to Dismiss with regard to this appeal and finds that at the time Mr. Lozeau, III filed this appeal, the matter was not ripe for review by this Court because sentencing had not yet been completed.

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CSKT's Motion to Dismiss is GRANTED and this matter is dismissed for lack of a final order.

SO ORDERED THIS 6th day of July, 2016.



Cldena Bear Dont Walk, LLM ELDENA BEAR DON'T WALK, LLM Chief Justice

JOSTIUA MORIGEAU, Associate Justice

ROBERT MCDONALD, Associate Justice

Certificate of Mailing

I, Abigail Dupuis, Appellate Court Administrator, do hereby certify that I mailed a true and correct copy of the Order Dismissing Appeal to the persons first named therein at the addresses shown below by depositing same in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid at Pablo, Montana, or through inter-office mail this 11th day of July, 2016.

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