

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF OHIO  
TENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT

State of Ohio, :  
 :  
 Plaintiff-Appellee, :  
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 v. : No. 12AP-824  
 : (C.P.C. No. 03CR-905)  
 Todd L. Hatfield, :  
 : (REGULAR CALENDAR)  
 Defendant-Appellant. :

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D E C I S I O N

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*Ron O'Brien*, Prosecuting Attorney, and *Michael P. Walton*,  
for appellee.

*Todd Hatfield*, pro se.

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APPEAL from the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas  
TYACK, J.

{¶ 1} Todd L. Hatfield is appealing from an adverse ruling on his motion seeking an order for return of personal property which he claims exist and which he claims is in the possession of the Franklin County Sheriff's office. His error assigned is:

The trial court erred when it refused to issue an order for the Return of Property directing the State of Ohio to return specified personal property to Movant.

{¶ 2} Hatfield claims that deputy sheriffs seized 33 personal letters he received while in jail. Hatfield was convicted in 2004 and did not file any action to receive the letters he alleges exist until summer 2012.

{¶ 3} The vehicle for seeking returns of such personal property is not the filing of a motion under a case number which is attached to a criminal case which is no longer

active. He has no remedy through the criminal justice system. As a result, the trial court was correct not to grant him relief.

{¶ 4} The assignment of error is overruled, and the judgment of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas is affirmed.

*Judgment affirmed.*

DORRIAN and McCORMAC, JJ., concur.

McCORMAC, J., retired, formerly of the Tenth Appellate District, assigned to active duty under the authority of Ohio Constitution, Article IV, Section 6(C).

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