COURT OF APPEALS

ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT

TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO, : MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff-Appellee, :

CASE NO. 2008-T-0126

- VS -

JOSEPH HEADLEY, :

Defendant-Appellant. :

Criminal Appeal from the Court of Common Pleas, Case No. 2005 CR 00393.

Judgment: Appeal dismissed.

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Joseph Headley, pro se, PID: 502-536, Lake Erie Correctional Institution, P.O. Box 8000, Conneaut, OH 44030 (Defendant-Appellant).

MARY JANE TRAPP, P.J.

- {¶1} This matter is before this court on appeal, filed November 26, 2008, from a judgment issued by the trial court on October 20, 2008. That judgment denied the motion for judicial release of appellant, Joseph Headley, without a hearing.
- {¶2} On December 2, 2008, appellee, state of Ohio, filed a motion to dismiss the appeal. In the motion, appellee indicates that the appealed judgment is not a final appealable order and should be dismissed on that basis.

{¶3} No brief or memorandum in opposition to the motion to dismiss has been

filed.

{¶4} It is well-settled that the denial of a motion for judicial release is not a final

appealable order. See State v. Coffman, 91 Ohio St.3d 125, 2001-Ohio-273; State v.

Balch, 11th Dist. No. 2008-P-0050, 2008-Ohio-4416; State v. Hedgecoth, 1st Dist. No.

C-060190, 2007-Ohio-4462; State v. Ingram, 10th Dist. No. 03AP-149, 2003-Ohio-5380.

{¶5} Furthermore, pursuant to App.R. 4(A):

{¶6} "A party shall file the notice of appeal required by App.R. 3 within thirty

days of the later of entry of the judgment or order appealed ***."

{¶7} In addition to the fact that the appealed judgment denying the motion for

judicial release is not a final appealable order, appellant's notice of appeal of the

judgment was filed seven days beyond the thirty-day requirement in App.R. 4(A). So

even if there were a final order in the present case, the appeal is untimely and would be

dismissed on those grounds.

{¶8} Accordingly, appellee's motion to dismiss is granted, and the appeal is

hereby dismissed for lack of a final appealable order.

DIANE V. GRENDELL, J.,

TIMOTHY P. CANNON, J.,

concur.

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