Court of Appeals, State of Michigan

ORDER

People of MI v Jay Alvin Keyser

Brock A. Swartzle Presiding Judge

Docket No.

346732

Michael J. Kelly

LC No.

2016-020233-FH

Michael F. Gadola

Judges

The Court orders that in lieu of granting the delayed application for leave to appeal this case is REMANDED to the trial court to provide an adequate explanation for the sentence imposed in this case, including the extent of the departure from the sentencing guidelines, to facilitate appellate review. See *People v Steanhouse*, 500 Mich 453, 470; 902 NW2d 327 (2017), quoting *People v Lockridge*, 498 Mich 358, 392; 870 NW2d 502 (2015) (sentencing courts must take guidelines range into account and justify sentence imposed to facilitate appellate review). While the trial court referred at sentencing to the sentence imposed being a departure from the sentencing guidelines and to the need to protect society its brief remarks were not a sufficient explanation of the rationale for the sentence imposed to adequately facilitate appellate review, particularly in light of the extent of the departure from the sentencing guidelines. Alternatively, if the trial court determines on remand that there were insufficient grounds for the severity of the sentence imposed, it may resentence defendant.

The motion to remand is DENIED as most in light of the relief provided in lieu of granting the delayed application for leave to appeal.

We do not retain jurisdiction.

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