

United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 01-3133

September Term, 2001

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United States of America,
Appellee

v.

Shawn D. Best, *a/k/a* Shawn Darrell Becton,
Appellant

APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE: Edwards, Randolph, and Garland, Circuit Judges

J U D G M E N T

This appeal was considered on the record from the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and on the briefs filed by the parties. The court has determined that the issues presented occasion no need for an opinion. See Fed. R. App. P. 36; D.C. Cir. Rule 36(b). It is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the district court's October 30, 2001 judgment of conviction be affirmed. The district court did not abuse its discretion when it excluded the questioning of the witness with respect to the alleged brutality. The probative value of such evidence, and hence of the witness's bias, was substantially outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice. See Fed. R. Evid. 403; Blair v. United States, 401 F.2d 387, 389-90 (D.C. Cir. 1968).

Pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 36, this disposition will not be published. The Clerk is directed to withhold issuance of the mandate herein until seven days after resolution of any timely petition for rehearing or petition for rehearing en banc. See Fed. R. App. P. 41(b); D.C. Cir. Rule 41.

Per Curiam