

Circuit Court for Montgomery County
Case No. 124345C

UNREPORTED
IN THE APPELLATE COURT
OF MARYLAND

No. 2349

September Term, 2024

KENNETH ADOLPHUS HINTON

v.

STATE OF MARYLAND

Wells, C.J.,
Leahy,
Kehoe, Christopher B.
(Senior Judge, Specially Assigned),

JJ.

PER CURIAM

Filed: October 10, 2025

*This is a per curiam opinion. Under Rule 1-104, the opinion is not precedent within the rule of stare decisis, nor may it be cited as persuasive authority.

Kenneth Adolphus Hinton,¹ appellant, filed notices of appeal from the denials, by the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, of a “Motion for Appropriate Relief ‘Belatedly’ Pursuant to MD Rule 4-215(e), et seq.,” and a “Motion for Appropriate Relief Pursuant to (Count 41) of CR 7-104(g)(2) Being Revised by the Maryland . . . Justice Reinvestment Act of 2016.” In his brief, Mr. Hinton addresses not the denials of these motions, but rather, the alleged failure by the trial court to hold hearings on pretrial motions, filed *pro se*, for discovery, to dismiss, and for “appointment of new legal counsel.” The State moves to dismiss the appeal on the ground that it is “not allowed by law.” Alternatively, the State requests that we affirm the judgments of the circuit court.

We agree with the State that dismissal is appropriate. In his brief, Mr. Hinton does not cite any authority that classifies either of the judgments from which he appealed as a final judgment from which he may appeal.² See Md. Code (1974, 2020 Repl. Vol., 2024 Supp.), § 12-301 of the Courts & Judicial Proceedings Article (generally, “a party may

¹“Following an August 2015 jury trial in the circuit court, Mr. Hinton, . . . representing himself, was convicted of theft scheme of at least \$1,000 but less than \$10,000 and 26 counts of perjury by affidavit.” *Hinton v. State*, No. 134, Sept. Term 2024 (filed January 14, 2025), slip op. at 1 (internal citation, quotations, and brackets omitted). “On November 12, 2015, the court sentenced Mr. Hinton to a total term of imprisonment of sixty years for the convictions of perjury, and a consecutive term of imprisonment of ten years for the conviction of theft scheme, for a total term of imprisonment of seventy years.” *Id.*

²We also note that we have previously addressed and resolved the court’s denial of the “Motion for Appropriate Relief ‘Belatedly’ Pursuant to MD Rule 4-215(e), et seq.” See *Hinton v. State*, No. 1971, Sept. Term 2024 (filed July 11, 2025). We further note that if the trial court indeed failed to hold hearings on Mr. Hinton’s pretrial motions, he could have raised appropriate contentions on appeal. Mr. Hinton failed to do so, see *Hinton v. State*, No. 2119, Sept. Term 2015 (filed March 15, 2017), and hence, the contentions are waived.

appeal from [only] a final judgment entered in a civil or criminal case by a circuit court”).

Accordingly, we grant the State’s motion and dismiss the appeal.

**APPEAL DISMISSED. COSTS TO BE PAID
BY APPELLANT.**