

OPINION SUMMARY

MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

DIVISION THREE

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	ED100473
)	
Respondent,)	Appeal from the Circuit Court
)	of the City of St. Louis
v.)	1122-CR05948
)	
MICHAEL J. FORD,)	Honorable Michael K. Mullen
)	
Appellant.)	FILED: February 10, 2015

Michael J. Ford (Ford) appeals from a sentence and judgment of conviction for first-degree murder and armed criminal action.

AFFIRMED.

Division Three Holds: The trial court did not err in denying the motions for acquittal and in entering the judgment of conviction, because the jury's determination was supported by substantial evidence, and the trial court properly allowed the State to impeach Ford with his prior bad acts. While the trial court plainly erred by allowing a lay witness to testify to a co-defendant's location based on cellular tower locations and radio frequency distance evidence, Ford was not prejudiced by this testimony such that he suffered a manifest injustice or miscarriage of justice.

Opinion by: Gary M. Gaertner, Jr., J.
Kurt S. Odenwald, P.J. and Robert G. Dowd, J., concur.

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