

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT**

STATE OF MISSOURI,

Respondent,

v.

SHAUNTAY L. HENDERSON,

Appellant.

DOCKET NUMBER WD70606

Date: June 8, 2010

Appeal from:
Jackson County Circuit Court
The Honorable Robert M. Schieber, Judge

Appellate Judges:
Division One: Karen King Mitchell, Presiding Judge, Lisa White Hardwick and
Cynthia Martin, Judges

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY
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Before Division One Judges: Karen King Mitchell, Presiding Judge,
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Shauntay Henderson appeals her convictions for voluntary manslaughter and armed criminal action following a bench trial. She contends the circuit court erred in entering judgment on the convictions because the State failed to prove the absence of self-defense beyond a reasonable doubt.

AFFIRMED.

Division One holds: The evidence supports the circuit court's decision that Henderson did not act in self-defense because she did not take steps to avoid the danger by any means other than deadly force. The judgment of convictions is affirmed.

Opinion by: Lisa White Hardwick, Judge

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