In the Missouri Court of Appeals
Eastern District

DIVISION FOUR

STATE OF MISSOURI,	)	No. ED108332
	)	
Appellant,	)	Appeal from the Circuit Court of
	)	Pike County
vs.	)	19PI-CR00044-01
	)	
JEFFREY RANDALL LINDSAY,	)	Honorable Patrick S. Flynn
	)	
Respondent.	)	Filed: April 28, 2020

The State of Missouri appeals from the trial court's order granting Respondent Lindsay's motion to suppress the evidence obtained as a result of a warrantless search of his vehicle, evidence which formed the basis for the State's charges against Lindsay of felony possession of over 35 grams of methamphetamine and felony intent to distribute.

REVERSED.

DIVISION IV HOLDS: While the facts articulated by the arresting officer failed to justify a search of Lindsay's vehicle for illegal drugs, the facts articulated by the officer that he was concerned for his personal safety justified the officer's warrantless protective sweep for weapons of Lindsay's vehicle in all the same areas of the vehicle where the drugs and drug-selling paraphernalia were found.

Opinion by: James M. Dowd, P.J.

Gary M. Gaertner, Jr., J., and Robin Ransom, J., concur.

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