OPINION SUMMARY
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

STATE OF MISSOURI,	)	No. ED111999
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Respondent,	)	Appeal from the Circuit Court
	)	of St. Louis County
v.	)	Cause No. 20SL-CR05984-01
	)	
EDWARD H. MOSELY,	)	Honorable Brian H. May
	)	
Appellant.	)	Filed: November 26, 2024

Appellant Edward Mosely was found guilty after a jury trial of voluntary manslaughter and armed criminal action, and was sentenced to a total of 25 years' imprisonment. On appeal, Appellant argues that the trial court abused its discretion in sustaining the State's objections to portions of the defense's expert witness testimony assessing whether Appellant's confession was coerced. Appellant claims the testimony was admissible because it pertained to the accuracy of Appellant's testimony and would have aided the jury in assessing such accuracy.

AFFIRMED.

Division Three Holds: Under Section 490.065 and *State v. Carpenter*, 605 S.W.3d 355 (Mo. banc 2020), expert witness testimony must be allowed when the testimony will help the jury understand the evidence or decide the contested issues. However, while expert witnesses are permitted to generally testify as to factors that may assist a jury in determining the reliability of a witness, such testimony may not include opinions or conclusions that go so far as to assess the reliability of any specific witness, as that invades the province of the jury to determine the particularized accuracy or credibility of any witness. Thus, the trial court did not err in sustaining the State's objections to the expert witness's testimony which would have assessed the particularized reliability, accuracy, or credibility of Appellant.

Opinion by: Renée Hardin-Tammons, J.
Philip M. Hess, P.J., and Gary M. Gaertner, Jr., J., concur.

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