MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT

CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, Respondent,
v.
CHARLES LAMAR BURGETT, Appellant.

DOCKET NUMBER WD88171

DATE: JULY 28, 2026

Appeal From:

Jackson County Circuit Court
The Honorable Abbie Rothermich, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Division Four: Edward R. Ardini, Jr., Chief Judge, Presiding, Alok Ahuja, Judge, and Cynthia L. Martin, Judge

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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Charles Lamar Burgett appeals from the trial court's judgment finding him guilty of driving in excess of the posted speed limit in violation of a Kansas City, Missouri ordinance. Burgett argues on appeal that the trial court erred in denying his motion seeking disclosure of evidence and information from the City, in denying his request for a jury trial, and interfering with his right to appeal.

AFFIRMED.

Division Four holds:

1. Burgett failed to demonstrate that the additional materials he sought in discovery were reasonable, and thus failed to demonstrate that the trial court's refusal to require disclosure of the materials resulted in fundamental unfairness.

2. Because Burgett did not make a request for a jury trial in writing at least ten days before his scheduled trial as required by Rule and binding decisional law, the trial court did not err in when it conducted Burgett's trial de novo by bench trial.

3. Burgett's failure to timely file his first notice of appeal was not attributable to trial court error.

4. Burgett had independent knowledge of his right to appeal so that, even assuming the trial court was required to inform Burgett of his right to appeal, Burgett cannot establish he suffered prejudice.

Opinion by: Cynthia L. Martin, Judge July 28, 2026

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