

OPINION SUMMARY

MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

STATE OF MISSOURI,)	No. ED98275
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Respondent,)	Appeal from the Circuit Court
)	of the City of St. Louis
vs.)	
)	Honorable Thomas C. Grady
REGINALD I. WILLIAMS,)	
)	
Appellant.)	FILED: June 25, 2013

Reginald Williams (“Williams”) appeals from the judgment entered upon a jury verdict of felony stealing, Section 570.030, RSMo. Cum. Supp. 2011. A jury convicted Williams of stealing a laptop computer worth in excess of \$500, and the trial court entered a judgment accordingly. On appeal, Williams argues that the trial court erred in admitting physical evidence of the crime and statements Williams made upon arrest because the officers who apprehended Williams were outside of their municipal jurisdiction and in Illinois at the time of his arrest. Williams also contends that insufficient evidence exists in the record to support his conviction.

AFFIRMED.

Division IV holds: Williams was arrested in Illinois after being pursued by police officers from Missouri. Because the officers’ pursuit was a lawful fresh pursuit under Illinois law, the evidence obtained by the arresting officers following Williams’s arrest and the statements Williams made when arrested were not subject to suppression even though the arresting officers were outside their jurisdiction at the time of Williams’s arrest. Further, sufficient evidence exists in the record to support Williams’s conviction of felony stealing.

Opinion by: Kurt S. Odenwald, J., Lawrence E. Mooney, P.J., and Patricia L. Cohen, J., Concur.

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