

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS
WESTERN DISTRICT**

COMPLETE TITLE OF CASE:

STATE OF MISSOURI,

Respondent

v.

AARON R. JOORDENS.

Appellant

DOCKET NUMBER WD72381

DATE: August 9, 2011

Appeal From:

Circuit Court of Platte County, MO
The Honorable Abe Shafer IV, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Division One
Gary D. Witt, P.J., James Edward Welsh, and Alok Ahuja, JJ.

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**MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY
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Before Division One Judges: Witt, P.J., Welsh, and Ahuja, JJ.

Aaron R. Joordens appeals from the circuit court's order that vacated an amended judgment, which had ordered that his sentences run concurrently, and reinstated the terms of the court's original judgment, which had ordered that his sentences run consecutively. He claims that the circuit court had the authority to enter the amended judgment and misapplied the law in vacating it.

REMANDED.

Division One holds:

The circuit court concluded its jurisdiction in this case when it entered its final judgment and sentence on January 6, 2010. Because the circuit court lacked jurisdiction to modify the sentence after it became final, the circuit court's action on March 4, 2010, purporting to amend the judgment by running the sentences concurrently was of no effect. Further, the circuit court's subsequent order on March 23, 2010, purporting to vacate the March 4, 2010, judgment and to reinstate the original final judgment only compounded the circuit court's error. Pursuant to our supervisory authority to confine the circuit court to its jurisdiction, we find that the January 6, 2010, judgment and sentence was the final judgment in this case and that all orders entered after that time were invalid. We, therefore, remand the case to the circuit court to vacate all orders entered after the January 6, 2010, judgment and sentence.

Opinion by James Edward Welsh, Judge

August 9, 2011

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