

CAESAR GOODSON,

Appellant,

v.

STATE OF MARYLAND,

Appellee.

* IN THE
 * COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS
 * OF MARYLAND
 * SEPTEMBER TERM, 2015
 * No. 2308
 * (CC# 115141032)

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ORDER

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2016, the Circuit Court for Baltimore City issued an order granting the “State’s Motion to Compel a Witness to Testify Pursuant to Section 9-123 of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article” (the “Motion to Compel”) in *State of Maryland v. Caesar Goodson*, Case No. 115141032; and

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2016, Appellant William Porter¹, the witness subject to the circuit court’s order, noted an interlocutory appeal from the circuit court’s order granting of that motion; and

WHEREAS, following the noting of the appeal, appellant, on the same day, filed in this Court a “Motion for Injunction Pending Appeal” (the “Motion for Injunction”); and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2016, this Court issued an order temporarily staying the circuit court’s granting the State’s Motion to Compel pending a decision by this Court on Appellant’s Motion for Injunction; and

¹ Pursuant to Maryland Rule 8-111, William Porter is designated as appellant in this appeal.

WHEREAS the State has now responded to the Motion for Injunction and appellant, in turn, has filed a reply to the State's response to the Motion for Injunction; and

WHEREAS the trial in *State of Maryland v. Caesar Goodson*, Case No. 115141032 is scheduled to commence today, Monday, January 11, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.; and

WHEREAS it is presumably in the interests of all parties that appellant's interlocutory appeal of the circuit court's order granting the State's motion to compel the testimony of William Porter be decided before the commencement of trial; and

WHEREAS if any party to the proceedings in the circuit court or to this interlocutory appeal disagrees with this order, they may file a motion, for this Court's consideration, to lift the stay.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS this 11th day of January 2016, by the Court of Special Appeals,

ORDERED that the trial in *State of Maryland v. Caesar Goodson*, Case No. 115141032, now pending in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City, be and hereby is stayed pending a resolution of the above-captioned interlocutory appeal or further order of this Court.

FOR A PANEL OF THE COURT

(CHIEF JUDGE'S SIGNATURE
APPEARS ON ORIGINAL ORDER)

PETER B. KRAUSER, CHIEF JUDGE