

Supreme Court of Mississippi.
Sharrod Ray MOORE
v.
STATE of Mississippi.
No. 1999-KA-00703-SCT.

June 21, 2001.

Defendant was convicted in the Circuit Court, Hinds County, [Robert Lewis Gibbs](#), J., of two counts of capital murder and sentenced to serve two consecutive life sentences. Defendant appealed. The Supreme Court, [Pittman](#), C.J., held that: (1) failure to give requested cautionary instruction regarding informant's testimony constituted reversible error; (2) requested circumstantial evidence instructions were unnecessary; (3) officers had probable cause that evidence of crime might be contained in automobile driven by defendant, and thus, automobile could be searched under automobile exception to search warrant requirement; and (4) although trial court failed to make on-the-record determination as to whether probative value of evidence of defense witness's prior convictions sought to be used for impeachment outweighed prejudicial effect, no error resulted.

Reversed and remanded.

[Smith](#), [Cobb](#), and [Easley](#), JJ., dissented.