
No. 96-1981

United States of America,

Appellee,

v.

Andrew Ross Williams,

Appellant.

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Appeal from the United States
District Court for the
Eastern District of Arkansas.

[UNPUBLISHED]

Submitted: December 6, 1996

Filed: December 17, 1996

Before BOWMAN, MAGILL, and LOKEN, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

A jury found Andrew Ross Williams guilty of possessing a motor vehicle, with intent to sell or otherwise dispose of it, knowing that the vehicle identification number (VIN) had been tampered with or altered, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2321. The district court¹ denied Williams's motion for judgment of acquittal based on the sufficiency of the evidence, and sentenced him to five months imprisonment and two years supervised release. Williams appeals, arguing there was insufficient evidence of his knowledge and his intent.

Viewing the evidence in the light most favorable to the government, and giving it the benefit of all reasonable inferences,

¹The HONORABLE HENRY WOODS, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

we conclude that sufficient circumstantial evidence was presented from which a reasonable jury could infer that Williams knew the VIN had been altered and that he intended to sell the vehicle. See United States v. Patterson, 886 F.2d 217, 218 (8th Cir. 1989) (per curiam) (standard of review). Accordingly, we affirm.

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