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Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE

November 15, 1971

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Bill:

This was left more or less in a state of judicial equipoise with 3-3 and one doubtful.

I have no disposition to assign it twice since I believe this is one that ought to be re-argued, given its present posture.

Regards,



Mr. Justice Douglas

W. B. Douglas  
11/15/71

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE

November 16, 1971

No. 70-5061 - Thomas Kirby, Etc., v. State of Illinois

Dear Bill:

I cannot join in the proposed opinion and will probably write unless someone else writes something I can join.

Regards,

W. B.

Mr. Justice Brennan

cc: The Conference

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

January 17, 1972

CHAMBERS OF  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE:

We have now set two cases for reargument and  
there are others that seem to me should be similarly  
treated.

The following are my "nominations" for reargu-  
ment.

No. 70-5061 -- Kirby v. Illinois  
No. 70-26 -- Gooding v. Wilson  
No. 70-45 -- U.S. v. Brewster

I previously indicated my willingness to have S. & E.  
Contractors v. U.S., and Lego v. Twomey reargued. The  
former is now scheduled for reargument and the latter has come  
down. There may be others, and generally I will vote to re-  
argue any 4-3 case unless it is a "JMH pewee."

To facilitate filing problems, I am sending individual  
memos on each of the above.

Regards,

WSB

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE

January 17, 1972

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE:

No. 70-5061 -- Kirby v. Illinois

To implement my general memo on cases for reargument, I propose that this case be set for reargument this Term.

I had been working on a dissent pursuing some of the same lines as are covered in Justice Stewart's circulation, but I see no point in circulating these views now. If the dissent circulated by Justice Stewart does not persuade any of the four who would reverse, my observations are not likely to achieve that objective.

Regards,

WES

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543CHAMBERS OF  
THE CHIEF JUSTICE

May 9, 1972

No. 70-5061 -- Kirby v. Illinois

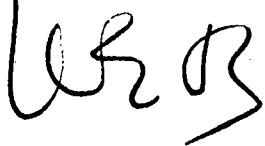
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CHIEF JUSTICE BURGER, concurring.

Because I agree that the right to counsel attaches as soon as charges are made against an accused and he becomes the subject of a "criminal prosecution," I join in the Court's opinion and holding. See Coleman v. Alabama, 399 U.S. 1, 21 (dissenting opinion).

Regards,



Mr. Justice Stewart

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Mr. Justice Stewart

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Harry This is to preserve my reservations on  
the Coleman constitutional holding that  
Kithen Hearing is a "criminal prosecution."

*Re*  
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Regards,

*W. B.*

Mr. Justice Stewart

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*Bill this is to maintain my posture that preliminary proceedings before <sup>indictment</sup> ~~charge~~ are not a "criminal prosecution."* *W. B.*

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No. 70-5061 -- Kirby v. Illinois

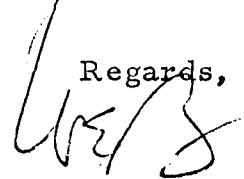
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Please amend my concurring statement to read  
as follows:

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Cf. Coleman v. Alabama, 399 U.S. 1, 21  
(dissenting opinion).

Regards,



Mr. Justice Stewart

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November 15, 1971

Dear Chief:

You ask about No. 70-5061 - Kirby  
v. Illinois.

I suggest Bill Brennan write that.  
In fact, as I recall that seemed to be  
the consensus at Friday's Conference.

W. G. D.

The Chief Justice

cc: Mr. Justice Brennan

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS

November 16, 1971

Dear Bill:

In No. 70-5061 - Kirby v.  
Illinois, I am happy to join your  
opinion.

William O. Douglas

Mr. Justice Brennan

CC: Conference

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have joined  
J. D.

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS

May 8, 1972

Dear Bill:

In No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois, please join me in your dissent.

WD

William O. Douglas

Mr. Justice Brennan

CC: The Conference

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1st DRAFT

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 70-5061

Thomas Kirby, Etc.,  
Petitioner,  
v.  
State of Illinois. } On Writ of Certiorari to the Ap-  
pellate Court of Illinois, First  
District.

[November —, 1971]

MR. JUSTICE BRENNAN delivered the opinion of the Court.

Petitioner and Ralph Bean were convicted in Illinois Circuit Court of robbing Willie Shard. Before they were indicted but after their arrest the Chicago police conducted a police station showup without advising them that they might have counsel present.<sup>1</sup> Shard testified at trial that he identified the pair at the showup. The question is whether under *Gilbert v. California*, 388 U. S. 263 (1967), the admission of testimony concerning identification at a preindictment showup was constitutional error. *Gilbert* held, in the context of a post-indictment lineup conducted without notice to counsel, that, unless harmless error, “[o]nly a *per se* exclusionary rule as to such testimony can be effective sanction to assure that law enforcement authorities will respect the accused's constitutional right to the presence of his counsel at the critical lineup.” *Id.*, at 273.

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Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Marshall  
Mr. Justice White  
Mr. Justice Holmes  
Mr. Justice Brandeis

2nd DRAFT

From: Breudan, J.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 70-5061

Recirculated: 1/17/21

Thomas Kirby, Etc., Petitioner, v. State of Illinois. } On Writ of Certiorari to the Appellate Court of Illinois, First District.

[November —, 1971]

MR. JUSTICE BRENNAN delivered the opinion of the Court.

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Signature - *Signatures*  
See signature

To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Harlan  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
Mr. Justice White  
✓ Mr. Justice Marshall  
Mr. Justice Blackmun

3rd DRAFT

From: Brennan, J.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

No. 70-5061

Received by \_\_\_\_\_, 11-1-77

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[November —, 1971]

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*John P. 1, b*

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Mr. Justice Black  
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Mr. Justice Harlan  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
Mr. Justice White  
Mr. Justice Marshall  
Mr. Justice Blackmun

4th DRAFT

## SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

From: Brennan, J.

No. 70-5061

Circulated:

Thomas Kirby, Etc.,  
Petitioner. } On Writ of Certiorari to the Ap-  
v. pellate Court of Illinois, First  
State of Illinois. } District. *12/10/71*

[November —, 1971]

MR. JUSTICE BRENNAN announced the judgment of the Court and delivered an opinion in which MR. JUSTICE DOUGLAS and MR. JUSTICE MARSHALL join.

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*Wm. D.*  
*cc 11*

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WM. J. BRENNAN, JR.

January 17, 1972

Dear Chief:

I have your memorandum suggesting reargument in No. 70-5061, Kirby v. Illinois, No. 70-26, Gooding v. Wilson and No. 70-45, United States v. Brewster.

You indicate that you thought the votes in each of these cases was 4 to 3. My record shows that Gooding v. Wilson was 5 to 2 to affirm. The votes to affirm were Thurgood, Byron, Potter, Bill Douglas and I. The votes to reverse were yours and Harry's. I've circulated a proposed opinion for the Court on that premise.

My records do show that the votes in Kirby and Brewster were both 4 to 3. In Kirby I've circulated an opinion which Bill Douglas and Thurgood have joined. Byron has filed a separate opinion concurring in the judgment.

In Brewster, my record indicates that Potter, Thurgood and Harry have joined your opinion and Bill Douglas has joined my dissent. Byron also voted to affirm.

You'll remember that my view on reargument of 4 to 3 cases is that this is a matter for conference discussion. Certainly, as in the case of S & E Contractors, if at least four of seven vote reargument then there should be reargument. I would suppose someone would have to make the motion and then a vote be taken as we did Friday in S & E Contractors. In any event, I see no reason for rearguing Gooding v. Wilson if the five who voted to affirm remain of that view and join my proposed opinion.

*for*  
W. J. B. Jr.

cc: The Conference

*Boyle*

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Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WM. J. BRENNAN, JR.

May 2, 1972

RE: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Potter:

In due course I shall circulate a  
dissent in the above.

Sincerely,

*Wm. J. Brennan, Jr.*

Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: The Conference

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*Please file*  
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To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
Mr. Justice White  
✓Mr. Justice Marshall  
Mr. Justice Blackmun  
Mr. Justice Powell  
Mr. Justice Rehnquist

2nd DRAFT

From: Brennan, J.

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Recirculated: 5-8-72

No. 70-5061

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Thomas Kirby, Etc.,  
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[May —, 1972]

MR. JUSTICE BRENNAN, dissenting.

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To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
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Mr. Justice Rehnquist

3rd DRAFT

**SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

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From: Brody, D.

Circulated:

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[May —, 1972]

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4th DRAFT

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Mr. Justice Rehnquist

cc: Brennan, J.

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## 5th DRAFT

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CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE POTTER STEWART

November 16, 1971

MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE

Re: 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

In due course, I expect to circulate a dissenting  
opinion in this case.

P.S.  
P.S.

To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Harlan  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
Mr. Justice White  
Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Black

1st DRAFT

**SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**

FROM: Stewart, J.

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[November —, 1971]

MR. JUSTICE STEWART, dissenting.

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"We . . . held [in *Wade*] that a *post-indictment* pretrial lineup at which the accused is exhibited to identifying witnesses is a critical stage of the criminal prosecution . . ." *Id.*, at 272 (emphasis supplied).

The importance of the institution of a formal accusatory charge, for Sixth Amendment purposes, was established in *Powell v. Alabama*, 277 U. S. 45, the seminal case involving the constitutional right to counsel. There the Court said that the "most critical" period for criminal defendants was "from the time of their arraignment until the beginning of their trial, when consultation, thorough-going investigation and preparation [are] vitally important." *Id.*, at 57. See also *Gideon v. Wainwright*, 372 U. S. 335. Recent decisions have emphasized the need for counsel after indictment or at arraignment. *Hamilton v. Alabama*, 368 U. S. 52; *Massiah v. United States*, 377 U. S. 201. See also *Spano v. New York*, 360 U. S. 315 (concurring opinion).

Wm. B. Jr.  
10/22/71

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New changes  
as indicated

To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Black  
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The significance of the moment when the suspect is formally charged stems from the nature of our criminal

Wm. Dwyer  
10/23/71

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To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Brennan  
Mr. Justice White  
Mr. Justice Marshall ✓  
Mr. Justice Blackmun  
Mr. Justice Powell  
Mr. Justice Rehnquist

1st DRAFT

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

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[May —, 1972]

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In *United States v. Wade*, 388 U. S. 218, and *Gilbert v. California*, 388 U. S. 263, this Court held "that a post-indictment pretrial lineup at which the accused is exhibited to identifying witnesses is a critical stage of the criminal prosecution; that police conduct of such a lineup without notice to and in the absence of his counsel denies the accused his Sixth [and Fourteenth] Amendment right to counsel and calls in question the admissibility at trial of the in-court identifications of the accused by witnesses who attended the lineup." *Gilbert v. California, supra*, at 272. Those cases further held that no "in-court identifications" are admissible in evidence if their "source" is a lineup conducted in violation of this constitutional standard. "Only a *per se* exclusionary rule as to such testimony can be an effective sanction," the Court said, "to assure that law enforcement officers will respect the accused's constitutional right to the presence of his counsel at the critical lineup." *Gilbert v. California, supra*, at 273. In the present case we are asked to extend the *Wade-Gilbert* *per se* exclusionary rule to identification testimony based upon a police station showup that took place before

To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Rehman  
Mr. Justice Khan  
Mr. Justice Iqbal  
Mr. Justice Akbar  
Mr. Justice Sadiq  
Mr. Justice Mian Iftikhar  
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2nd DRAFT

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES <sup>From: S</sup>

From: Stewart, J.

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Joined w/ Brennan

To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Brennan  
Mr. Justice White  
Mr. Justice Marshall  
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3rd DRAFT

From: Stewart, J.

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MR. JUSTICE STEWART announced the judgment of the Court in an opinion in which THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE BLACKMUN, and MR. JUSTICE REHNQUIST join.

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Mr. Justice Black  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
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✓Mr. Justice Marshall  
Mr. Justice Blackmun

From: White, J.

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Mr. Justice White, concurring in the result.

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To: The Chief Justice  
Mr. Justice Douglas  
Mr. Justice Brennan  
Mr. Justice Stewart  
~~✓ Mr. Justice Marshall~~  
Mr. Justice Blackmun  
Mr. Justice Powell  
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Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL

November 16, 1971

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Bill:

Please join me.

Sincerely,



T.M.

Mr. Justice Brennan

cc: The Conference

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE THURGOOD MARSHALL

May 18, 1972

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Bill:

Please join me in your dissent.

Sincerely,

  
T.M.

Mr. Justice Brennan

cc: Conference

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

November 17, 1971

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Bill:

I have difficulty with the proposed opinion  
and shall await Potter's dissent before taking a final  
position.

Sincerely,

H. A. B.

Mr. Justice Brennan

cc: The Conference

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

November 23, 1971

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Potter:

Please join me in your dissent for  
this case.

Sincerely,

*H.A.B.*

Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: The Conference

Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE HARRY A. BLACKMUN

May 5, 1972

Re: No. 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Potter:

Please join me.

Sincerely,

*H. A. B.*

Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: The Conference

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Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE LEWIS F. POWELL, JR.

June 5, 1972

Re: No. 70-5061 Kirby v. Illinois

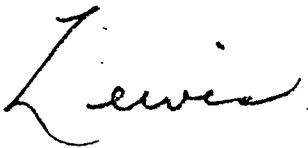
Dear Potter:

The Reporter has suggested the following technical revision of my concurrence:

"As I would not extend the Wade-Gilbert per se exclusionary rule, I concur in the result reached by the Court."

Please make this change, if this meets with your approval.

Sincerely,



Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: The Conference

*W.M.*  
Supreme Court of the United States  
Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF  
JUSTICE WILLIAM H. REHNQUIST

May 2, 1972

Re: 70-5061 - Kirby v. Illinois

Dear Potter:

Please join me in your opinion for the Court in this case.

Sincerely,



Mr. Justice Stewart

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