

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-82,625-01

EX PARTE ANTHONY FLORES, Applicant

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. 2012-434,171 IN THE 364TH DISTRICT COURT FROM LUBBOCK COUNTY

Per curiam.

OPINION

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 11.07 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, the clerk of the trial court transmitted to this Court this application for a writ of habeas corpus. *Ex parte Young*, 418 S.W.2d 824, 826 (Tex. Crim. App. 1967). Applicant was convicted of aggravated robbery and sentenced to fifty years' imprisonment.

Applicant contends that his appellate counsel rendered ineffective assistance because he failed to timely file a notice of appeal.

The trial court has determined that counsel failed to timely file a notice of appeal. We find that Applicant is entitled to the opportunity to file an out-of-time appeal of the judgment of

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conviction in Cause No. 2012-434171 from the 364th District Court of Lubbock County. Applicant

is ordered returned to that time at which he may give a written notice of appeal so that he may then,

with the aid of counsel, obtain a meaningful appeal. Within ten days of the issuance of this opinion,

the trial court shall determine whether Applicant is indigent. If Applicant is indigent and wishes to

be represented by counsel, the trial court shall immediately appoint an attorney to represent

Applicant on direct appeal. All time limits shall be calculated as if the sentence had been imposed

on the date on which the mandate of this Court issues. We hold that, should Applicant desire to

prosecute an appeal, he must take affirmative steps to file a written notice of appeal in the trial court

within 30 days after the mandate of this Court issues.

Copies of this opinion shall be sent to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Correctional

Institutions Division and Pardons and Paroles Division.

Delivered: January 28, 2015

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