

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-86,113-01

EX PARTE RODYS A. SANCHEZ, Applicant

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. 1400848-A IN THE 263RD DISTRICT COURT FROM HARRIS COUNTY

Per curiam.

<u>OPINION</u>

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 sexual assault of a child and sentenced to life imprisonment. The First Court of Appeals affirmed his conviction. *Sanchez v. State*, No. 01-14-00809-CR (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] Nov. 24, 2015) (not designated for publication).

Applicant contends that his appellate counsel rendered ineffective assistance because counsel failed to timely notify Applicant that his conviction had been affirmed and failed to inform Applicant that he a right to file a petition for discretionary review.

Appellate counsel filed an affidavit with the trial court. The trial court has entered findings of fact and conclusions of law that appellate counsel failed to timely notify Applicant that his conviction had been affirmed and failed to provide Applicant notice of his right to file a *pro se* petition for discretionary review. The trial court recommends that relief be granted. *Ex parte Wilson*, 956 S.W.2d 25 (Tex. Crim. App. 1997).

We find, therefore, that Applicant is entitled to the opportunity to file an out-of-time petition for discretionary review of the judgment of the First Court of Appeals in Cause No. 01-14-00809-CR that affirmed his conviction in Cause No. 1400848 from the 263rd District Court of Harris County. Applicant shall file his petition for discretionary review with this Court within 30 days of the date on which this Court's mandate issues.

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