

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-77,178-03

NATHANIEL JAMON WHITAKER, Relator

v.

POLK COUNTY DISTRICT CLERK, Respondent

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF MANDAMUS CAUSE NOS. 20,663 AND 20,665 IN THE 411TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FROM POLK COUNTY

Per curiam.

ORDER

Relator has filed a motion for leave to file a writ of mandamus pursuant to the original jurisdiction of this Court. In it, he contends he has asked the Polk County District Clerk on several occasions for copies of documents filed in his cases. He is not requesting free copies because he indicates he will pay for them. The clerk, according to Relator, has not responded to his requests. Relator also complains he has not received copies of the affidavits filed by trial counsel in

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connection with Relator's pending habeas cases even though the trial court ordered he be sent the

copies. He indicates he has asked for these as well.

In these circumstances, additional facts are needed. The respondent, the District Clerk of

Polk County, is ordered to file a response, a copy of which shall be provided to Relator. In its

response, Respondent shall state whether it has received a request from Relator for copies of

documents filed in his trial cases, and if so, whether Relator stated he would pay for the requested

copies and what actions were taken by Respondent in response to Relator's requests. Respondent

shall also indicate whether it has forwarded to Relator copies of trial counsel's affidavits filed in

Relator's pending habeas cases. This application for leave to file a writ of mandamus shall be held

in abeyance until Respondent has submitted an appropriate response. Such response shall be

submitted within 30 days of the date of this order.

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