

In The
Court of Appeals
Ninth District of Texas at Beaumont

NO. 09-11-00170-CV

IN THE INTEREST OF A.M.L. AND I.J.P.

**On Appeal from the 279th District Court
Jefferson County, Texas
Trial Cause No. F-161,254-E and C-198,411-A**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Tommie Limbrick filed a notice of appeal from judgments of contempt. We questioned our jurisdiction over the appeal and instructed the parties to file written responses by May 6, 2011. “[A] petition for writ of habeas corpus is generally the only method for attacking an order of contempt.” *In re Reece*, No. 09-0520, 2011 WL 2112786, *7 (Tex. May 27, 2011) (orig. proceeding) (citing *Deramus v. Thornton*, 160 Tex. 494, 333 S.W.2d 824, 827 (1960)).¹ An appeal may be taken from an arrearage judgment. *See In re B.A.T.*, No. 05-10-00593-CV, 2010 WL 3991426, * 1 (Tex. App.—Dallas Oct. 11, 2010, no pet.) (mem. op). The arrearage judgments signed on December

¹ An original proceeding in habeas corpus has been filed and is proceeding separately from this appeal.

8, 2010, were entered more than thirty days before Limbrick filed a notice of appeal. *See* Tex. R. App. P. 26.1. Limbrick did not attempt to perfect an appeal within the time for which an extension may be granted for perfecting an appeal. *See* Tex. R. App. P. 26.3. This Court lacks jurisdiction over the appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

DAVID GAULTNEY
Justice

Opinion Delivered August 11, 2011

Before McKeithen, C.J., Gaultney and Kreger, JJ.