

TEXAS COURT OF APPEALS, THIRD DISTRICT, AT AUSTIN

NO. 03-15-00120-CV

A.M., Appellant

v.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, Appellee

**FROM THE DISTRICT COURT OF LLANO COUNTY, 33RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
NO. 18551, HONORABLE CHARLES H. VAN ORDEN, JUDGE PRESIDING**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

After a non-jury trial, the trial court terminated appellant A.M.'s parental rights to three children: A.D.M., J.M, and L.F. The trial court found that appellant committed acts and omissions justifying termination of her parental rights. *See* Tex. Fam. Code § 161.001(1)(D),(O). The trial court also found that termination of her parental rights was in the children's best interest. *Id.* § 161.001(2). The trial court further found that the father of A.D.M. and J.M. is deceased, and terminated the rights of the unknown father of L.F.

Appellant's court-appointed appellate counsel has filed a brief in which he discusses the record, the elements of the cause of action, and the standard of review and concludes that appellant has no arguable grounds for appeal and that her appeal is wholly frivolous. *See Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967); *High v. State*, 573 S.W.2d 807, 811 (Tex. Crim. App. 1978); *see also Taylor v. Texas Dep't of Protective & Regulatory Servs.*, 160 S.W.3d 641, 646-47

(Tex. App.—Austin 2005, pet. denied) (applying *Anders* procedure in appeal from termination of parental rights). Appellant’s counsel has certified to this Court that he provided appellant with a copy of the brief, along with a notice advising appellant of her right to examine the appellate record and to file a pro se brief. No pro se brief has been filed.

Having thoroughly reviewed the record and counsel’s brief, we agree with counsel’s assessment that the appeal is frivolous and without merit. We affirm the judgment and grant appellant’s counsel’s motion to withdraw as counsel.

Jeff Rose, Chief Justice

Before Chief Justice Rose, Justices Goodwin and Field

Affirmed

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