NO. 12-09-00240-CV

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT

TYLER, TEXAS

DEBRA JANE HUETT, APPELLANT § APPEAL FROM THE THIRD

V.

§ JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF

JOHN L. BILLINGSLEY LOGGING, LLC, ET AL., APPELLEES

§ HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS

MEMORANDUM OPINION PER CURIAM

This appeal is being dismissed for want of jurisdiction pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 42.3(a).

The trial court's judgment in this case was signed on May 26, 2009. Under rule of appellate procedure 26.1(a), unless Appellant timely filed a motion for new trial or other postjudgment motion that extended the appellate deadlines, her notice of appeal was due to have been filed "within 30 days after the judgment [was] signed," i.e., June 25, 2009. Appellant did not file a motion for new trial, but filed her notice of appeal on July 15, 2009. Because the notice of appeal was not filed on or before June 25, 2009, the notice was untimely filed and this court has no jurisdiction to consider her appeal.

On August 4, 2009, this court notified Appellant pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 42.3(a) that her notice of appeal was untimely. Appellant was further informed that unless the record was amended on or before August 14, 2009 to establish the jurisdiction of this court, the appeal would be dismissed. On August 17, 2009, Appellant filed a motion for extension of time to file her notice of appeal. A motion to extend the time for filing a notice of appeal must be filed

within fifteen days after the deadline for filing the notice of appeal. Tex. R. App. P. 26.3. Thus, Appellant's motion to extend the time for filing her notice of appeal was due to have been filed on or before July 10, 2009. Because Appellant did not file her motion until August 17, 2009, the motion is untimely.

Appellant's motion for extension of time to file her notice of appeal is overruled. Because this court is not authorized to extend the time for perfecting an appeal except as provided by Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure 26.1 and 26.3, the appeal is *dismissed for want of jurisdiction*. *See* Tex. R. App. P. 42.3(a).

Opinion delivered September 2, 2009.

Panel consisted of Worthen, C.J., Griffith, J., and Hoyle, J.

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