

SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

No. CR-14-1089

DERRICK ROBERTS

PETITIONER

V.

HONORABLE DAVID W. TALLEY, JR.,
CIRCUIT JUDGE

RESPONDENT

Opinion Delivered June 4, 2015

PRO SE PETITION FOR WRIT OF
MANDAMUS[COLUMBIA COUNTY CIRCUIT
COURT, NO. 14CR-09-113]PETITION MOOT.

PER CURIAM

Petitioner Derrick Roberts first filed in this court a pro se petition for writ of mandamus on December 17, 2014. Roberts had filed in the Columbia County Circuit Court a pro se petition for writ of error coram nobis on January 14, 2014. In the mandamus petition, Roberts sought to have Circuit Judge Larry Chandler enter a final order on the coram-nobis petition.

On February 12, 2015, this court held that the mandamus action was moot because Judge Chandler retired from the bench, and the coram-nobis petition was reassigned. *Roberts v. Chandler*, 2015 Ark. 47 (per curiam). Roberts filed an amended petition for writ of mandamus naming Circuit Judge David W. Talley, Jr., as the respondent. That amended petition is now before us.

Judge Talley provided this court a copy of an order transferring the matter to Circuit Judge Hamilton H. Singleton. Because the respondent, as of the date of this opinion, is no longer responsible for acting on Roberts's pending pleading, the amended petition for writ of mandamus is also moot. *See Standridge v. Putman*, 2014 Ark. 208 (per curiam).

We again note that Roberts's coram-nobis petition has been pending for more than one

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year and urge that the matter be disposed of promptly. The prompt resolution of all matters before a court is vital to the administration of justice. *McNichols v. Elmore*, 2014 Ark. 133 (per curiam).

Petition moot.