ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT

No. CR 07-628

MARCUS D. YOUNG Appellant

v.

STATE OF ARKANSAS
Appellee

Opinion Delivered April 17, 2008

APPELLEE'S MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL [CIRCUIT COURT OF DREW COUNTY, CR 2003-184, HON. ROBERT B. GIBSON, JR., JUDGE]

MOTION GRANTED; APPEAL DISMISSED.

PER CURIAM

In 2004, appellant Marcus D. Young entered a guilty plea to a charge of committing a terroristic act. A jury sentenced him to 240 months' imprisonment in the Arkansas Department of Correction. Appellant appealed as to evidence presented to the jury, and the Arkansas Court of Appeals affirmed. *Young v. State*, CACR 04-925 (Ark. App. Apr. 13, 2005).

Appellant, through counsel, filed a petition for relief under Ark. R. Crim. P. 37.1 and two amended petitions, which were denied by the trial court for lack of verification. This court reversed and remanded for the trial court to consider the original petition because it was properly verified. *Young v. State*, CR 06-587 (Ark. Feb. 15, 2007) (per curiam). On April 3, 2007, the trial court entered an order that again denied appellant relief under Rule 37.1. On May 1, 2007, appellant filed a motion for reconsideration in the trial court, and, on June 6, 2007, he filed a notice of appeal as to the denial of the motion for reconsideration. Appellant has lodged an appeal in this court, and the State now brings this motion to dismiss the appeal.

The State alleges in its motion that the notice of appeal was not timely. First, the State

alleges that the motion to reconsider was a motion for rehearing prohibited under Ark. R. Crim. P.

37.2(d) and asserts that the notice of appeal was not timely as to the order denying postconviction

relief. Under Ark. R. App. P.-Crim. 2(a)(4), a notice of appeal as to an order that was entered

denying postconviction relief must be filed within thirty days of the date of the order. Next, the

State contends that the notice of appeal was also not effective as to a denial of the motion to

reconsider because the deemed denied provisions of our rules of procedure do not apply to

proceedings on a Rule 37.1 petition.

We need not consider whether the notice of appeal was effective as to the order denying the

Rule 37.1 petition because the notice of appeal only referenced the denial of the motion for

reconsideration. The record does not contain any other notice of appeal.

Nor does the record contain an order that denies the motion to reconsider. Whether the

motion was permissible or not, the deemed denied appellate rule does not apply to appeals in

proceedings on a Rule 37.1 petition. *Morgan v. State*, 360 Ark. 264, 200 S.W.3d 890 (2005) (per

curiam). Our clerk accepted the record in error because there was no denial of the motion for

reconsideration. Accordingly, we grant the motion to dismiss.

Motion granted; appeal dismissed.

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