

THE COURT OF APPEALS
ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO

FALLS ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING, INC.,	:	MEMORANDUM OPINION
Plaintiff-Appellee,	:	
- vs -	:	CASE NO. 2004-T-0104
TRI-STATE CONSTRUCTION,	:	
Defendant-Appellant.	:	

Civil appeal from the Newton Falls Municipal Court, Case No. 04 CVI 00092.

Judgment: Appeal dismissed.

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JUDITH A. CHRISTLEY, J.

{¶1} On August 5, 2004, appellant, Tri-State Construction, filed a notice of appeal from a July 12, 2004 judgment of the Newton Falls Municipal Court. In that judgment, the trial court dismissed the case for improper venue.

{¶2} It is well established that a judgment dismissing a case for improper venue is not a final appealable order. *State ex rel. Allied Chemical Co. v. Aurelius* (1984), 16 Ohio App.3d 69; *Snell v. Cincinnati St. Ry. Co.* (1899), 60 Ohio St. 256.

{¶3} Accordingly, this appeal is hereby sua sponte dismissed due to lack of a final appealable order. We also note that William W. Bridge, III, who is not an attorney, is prohibited from representing a corporation in an appeal. A layperson can only represent themselves on appeal, and not another party. *Vizzini v. Nichols*, 11th Dist. No. 2003-P-0085, 2003-Ohio-6225.

Appeal dismissed.

DIANE V. GRENDELL, J.,

CYNTHIA WESTCOTT RICE, J.,

concur.