

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-90,285-02

EX PARTE MARTIN GUTIERREZ JR., Applicant

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. W15-12273-J(A) IN CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT NO. 3 FROM DALLAS COUNTY

Per curiam.

OPINION

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 11.07 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, the clerk of the trial court transmitted to this Court this application for a writ of habeas corpus. *Ex parte Young*, 418 S.W.2d 824, 826 (Tex. Crim. App. 1967). Applicant was convicted of murder as a habitual felon and sentenced to sixty years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

Applicant contends, *inter alia*, that the \$10,000 fine is not authorized as punishment under the habitual-felon statute. *See* Tex. Penal Code 12.42(d). He is correct. The trial court, with the State's agreement, "recommends that the judgment in cause number F15-12273-J be reformed to delete the \$10,000 fine." The recommendation is supported by the habeas record and applicable law. *See* Tex. Code Crim. Proc. art. 37.10(b).

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We hold that the \$10,000 fine imposed in cause no. F15-12273-J, The State of Texas v.

Martin Gutierrez Jr., from Criminal District Court No. 3 of Dallas County is vacated. The sixty-year

sentence remains unchanged. A review of Applicant's remaining claims shows that they lack merit.

These claims are denied.

Copies of this opinion shall be sent to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Correctional

Institutions Division and Pardons and Paroles Division.

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