

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-91,078-03

EX PARTE WILLIAM BARRIE BOWLIN, Applicant

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. CR-17-0993-A IN THE 428TH DISTRICT COURT FROM HAYS COUNTY

Per curiam.

<u>OPINION</u>

Applicant was convicted of driving while intoxicated and sentenced to thirty years' imprisonment. He filed this application for a writ of habeas corpus in the county of conviction, and the district clerk forwarded it to this Court. *See* TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 11.07.

Applicant contends that he was denied his right to an appeal because counsel failed to timely file a notice of appeal. Based on the record, the trial court has found that counsel failed to timely file a notice of appeal.

Relief is granted. *Ex parte Axel*, 757 S.W.2d 369 (Tex. Crim. App. 1988); *Jones v. State*, 98 S.W.3d 700 (Tex. Crim. App. 2003). Applicant may file an out-of-time appeal of his conviction in cause number CR-17-0993-A from the 274th District Court of Hays County. Within ten days from

the date of this Court's mandate, the trial court shall determine whether Applicant is indigent. If Applicant is indigent and wants to be represented by counsel, the trial court shall appoint counsel to represent him on direct appeal. All deadlines shall be calculated as if Applicant was sentenced on the date of this Court's mandate. Should Applicant decide to appeal, he must file a written notice of appeal in the trial court within thirty days from the date of this Court's mandate.

Copies of this opinion shall be sent to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice–Correctional Institutions Division and the Board of Pardons and Paroles.

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