

## IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-79,120-01

**EX PARTE CHRISTOPHER V. TITA, Applicant** 

## ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. 1075284 IN THE 262<sup>nd</sup> DISTRICT COURT FROM HARRIS COUNTY

Per curiam.

## <u>O R D E R</u>

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 aggregated theft and was sentenced to twenty-three years' imprisonment. His conviction was upheld on appeal. *Tita v. State*, 267 S.W.3d 33 (Tex. Crim. App. 2008).

In this 11.07 writ application, Applicant raises three grounds. He alleges two ineffective assistance of counsel grounds, and one ground attacking the restitution order. The trial court recommends that this Court deny the ineffective assistance of counsel grounds and grant the ground

regarding the restitution order. We find that the trial court's findings and conclusions regarding the ineffective assistance of counsel grounds are persuasive and deny relief on Applicant's first two grounds based on the findings of the trial court.

The order of restitution was signed the day after sentence was pronounced and the restitution was included in the judgment of conviction. Therefore the validity of the order of restitution was available at the time of Applicant's direct appeal and should have been raised at that time. *Ex parte Banks*, 769 S.W.2d 539 (Tex. Crim. App. 1989). We therefore also deny Applicant's third ground.

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