

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

NO. WR-80,576-01

EX PARTE RICHARD DEMETRIUS NASH, Applicant

ON APPLICATION FOR A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS CAUSE NO. W11-59880-W(A) IN THE 363rd DISTRICT COURT FROM DALLAS COUNTY

Per curiam.

ORDER

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 the offense of evading arrest and sentenced to imprisonment for five years.

The Applicant alleges that his guilty plea was involuntary due to counsel's failure to inform him of the availability of an insanity defense.

In response to the Applicant's allegation, the State asserts, in pertinent part:

Applicant claims that he was insane at the time he fled from police; he allegedly fled because he thought he might be killed. However, applicant gives no indication that he did not know that fleeing from police was legally wrong. His factual allegations do not establish

the affirmative defense of legal insanity. In any event, further evidence regarding defense counsel's representation on this matter is needed. See generally Bone v. State, 77 S.W.3d

828, 836 (Tex. Crim. App. 2002) (explaining that counsel should ordinarily be accorded an

opportunity to explain his actions before being condemned as incompetent). Thus, the State

requests that this Court issue an order designating issues and requiring the gathering of evidence, as is customary, by way of affidavit from defense counsel or hearing as the Court

may deem necessary.

The habeas record has been forwarded to this Court prematurely. We remand this application

to the 363rd District Court of Dallas County to allow the trial judge to complete an evidentiary

investigation and enter findings of fact and conclusions of law.

This application will be held in abeyance until the trial court has resolved the fact issues. The

issues shall be resolved within 90 days of this order. A supplemental transcript containing all

affidavits and interrogatories or the transcription of the court reporter's notes from any hearing or

deposition, along with the trial court's supplemental findings of fact and conclusions of law, shall

be forwarded to this Court within 120 days of the date of this order. Any extensions of time shall

be obtained from this Court.

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