

In The Court of Appeals Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

No. 05-17-01389-CV

IN RE

RAY L. HUNT, R. GERALD TURNER, THOMAS E. MEURER, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS A TRUSTEE OF LOYAL TRUST NO. 1, W. KIRK BAKER, DAVID HERNANDEZ, HUNTER LAFAYETTE HUNT, ASHLEE HUNT KLEINERT, AND HEATHER LEIGH HUNT, Relators

Original Proceeding from the Collin County Probate Collin County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. PB1-0337-2012

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Before Justices Bridges, Fillmore, and Schenck Opinion by Justice Bridges

In this original proceeding, relators seek review of an order denying their motion to disqualify opposing counsel. "Mandamus is appropriate to correct an erroneous order disqualifying counsel because there is no adequate remedy by appeal." *In re Cerberus Capital Mgmt., L.P.*, 164 S.W.3d 379, 383 (Tex. 2005) (orig. proceeding) (quoting *In re Sanders*, 153 S.W.3d 54, 56 (Tex. 2004) (orig. proceeding). Therefore, if the trial court abused its discretion by disqualifying counsel, we may grant mandamus relief. *See In re Nitla S.A. de C.V.*, 92 S.W.3d 419, 422 (Tex. 2002) (orig. proceeding) (per curiam). A trial court clearly abuses its discretion if it reaches a decision so arbitrary and unreasonable as to amount to a clear and prejudicial error of law, or if it clearly fails to analyze the law correctly or apply the law correctly to the facts. *In re RSR Corp.*, 475 S.W.3d 775, 778 (Tex. 2015); *In re Cerberus Capital Mgmt., L.P.*, 164 S.W.3d

at 382. In reviewing the trial court's decision in a mandamus proceeding, this Court may not

make factual determinations. In re RSR Corp., 475 S.W.3d at 778. Nor may we set aside the trial

court's finding unless it is clear from the record that the trial court could only reach one decision.

In re Nitla S.A. de C.V., 92 S.W.3d at 422.

Based on the record before us, we conclude relators have not shown they are entitled to

the relief requested. Accordingly, we deny relators' petition for writ of mandamus. See TEX. R.

APP. P. 52.8(a) (the court must deny the petition if the court determines relator is not entitled to

the relief sought).

/David L. Bridges/

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JUSTICE

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