

In The Court of Appeals Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

No. 05-18-00561-CR

BRANDIN NICOLE VAUGHN, Appellant V. THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee

On Appeal from the 291st Judicial District Court Dallas County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. F16-23285-U

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Before Justices Francis, Fillmore, and Whitehill Opinion by Justice Francis

Brandin Nicole Vaughn pleaded guilty to possession of a controlled substance and, on September 26, 2016, the trial court placed her on deferred adjudication for five years. In March 2018, the State filed a motion to proceed with an adjudication of guilt, alleging appellant had violated numerous terms and conditions of her probation. On April 26, 2018, the trial court modified certain conditions of her probation, extended the terms of her deferred adjudication by one year, and continued appellant on deferred adjudication. Appellant then filed this appeal. For the reasons that follow, we conclude we have no jurisdiction over the appeal.

As a general rule, an appellate court may consider appeals by criminal defendants only after conviction. *Wright v. State*, 969 S.W.2d 588, 589 (Tex. App.–Dallas 1998, no pet.). With regard to deferred adjudication, the Texas Legislature has authorized appeal of only two types of

orders: (1) an order granting deferred adjudication, and (2) an order imposing punishment

accompanying an adjudication of guilt. Davis v. State, 195 S.W.3d 708, 711 (Tex. Crim. App.

2006). Orders modifying the terms or conditions of deferred adjudication are not in themselves

appealable. Id.

Here, there is no judgment of conviction; rather, the trial court continued appellant on

deferred adjudication. Under these circumstances, we do not have jurisdiction. See id.

We dismiss this appeal for lack of jurisdiction.

/Molly Francis/

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JUSTICE

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JUDGMENT

BRANDIN NICOLE VAUGHN, Appellant On Appeal from the 291st Judicial District

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Opinion delivered by Justice Francis,

THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee Justices Fillmore and Whitehill

participating.

Based on the Court's opinion of this date, we **DISMISS** this appeal for want of jurisdiction.

Judgment entered June 6, 2018.