#### **DISMISS and Opinion Filed September 18, 2020**



## In The Court of Appeals Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

### No. 05-20-00742-CR

BRANDON MICHAEL PACKER, Appellant V. THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee

On Appeal from the 283rd Judicial District Court Dallas County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. F16-40480-T

#### **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Before Justices Schenck, Osborne, and Partida-Kipness Opinion by Justice Osborne

On July 28, 2017, after Brandon Michael Packer pleaded guilty to possession

of less than one gram of heroin, the trial court deferred adjudication of guilt and placed appellant on deferred adjudication probation for two years. The trial court later extended appellant's community supervision until July 27, 2021. On June 4, 2020, the State filed a motion to proceed with adjudication of guilt, alleging appellant violated various conditions of probation. Following a July 13, 2020 hearing, the trial court denied the State's motion and continued appellant on deferred adjudication probation. Appellant's notice of appeal from that decision was filed in this Court on August 14, 2020.

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*.

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We dismiss this appeal for lack of jurisdiction.

/Leslie Osborne/ LESLIE OSBORNE JUSTICE

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## JUDGMENT

BRANDON MICHAEL PACKER,	On Appeal from the 283rd Judicial
Appellant	District Court, Dallas County, Texas
	Trial Court Cause No. F16-40480-T.
No. 05-20-00742-CR V.	Opinion delivered by Justice
	Osborne. Justices Schenck and
THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee	Partida-Kipness participating.

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

Judgment entered September 18, 2020