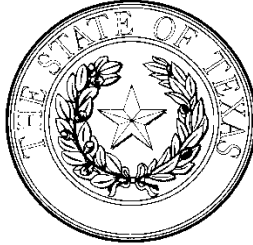


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For The
First District of Texas

NO. 01-11-00892-CR

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IN RE JONATHAN PERKINS, A/K/A SEDRICK PERKINS, Relator

Original Proceedings on Petitions for Writ of Mandamus

MEMORANDUM OPINION

In two petitions for writ of mandamus, relator, Jonathan Perkins, a/k/a Sedrick Perkins, challenges the trial court's failure to rule on his pro se motion for hybrid representation.¹ A criminal defendant is not entitled to hybrid

¹ The underlying cases are *The State of Texas v. Jonathan Perkins*, No. 131708201010 and *The State of Texas v. Jonathan Germaine Perkins*,

representation. *See Robinson v. State*, 240 S.W.3d 919, 922 (Tex. Crim. App. 2007); *Patrick v. State*, 906 S.W.2d 481, 498 (Tex. Crim. App. 1995). Further, the law does not require a trial court to rule on pro se motions filed in a criminal proceeding in which the defendant is represented by counsel. *See Robinson*, 240 S.W.3d at 922. A trial court thus does not abuse its discretion by declining to rule on a defendant's pro se motion for hybrid representation.

We **deny** the petitions for writ of mandamus.

PER CURIAM

Panel consists of Chief Justice Radack and Justices Bland and Huddle.

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131685401010, both in the 339th District Court, Harris County, the Honorable Maria T. Jackson presiding.