

**Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus Dismissed and Memorandum Opinion filed
November 16, 2021.**



**In The
Fourteenth Court of Appeals**

NO. 14-21-00565-CR

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NO. 14-21-00567-CR

IN RE JOHN KENNEDY, Relator

**ORIGINAL PROCEEDING
WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS
183rd District Court
Harris County, Texas
Trial Court Cause Nos. 1601787, 1601788 & 1657683**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

On October 8, 2021, relator John Kennedy filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus in this court. *See* Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 22.221; *see also* Tex. R. App. P. 52. In the petition, relator asks this court to release him from pretrial detention.

The courts of appeals have no original habeas-corpus jurisdiction in criminal matters. *In re Ayers*, 515 S.W.3d 356, 356 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 2016, orig. proceeding) (citing Tex. Gov’t Code Ann. § 22.221(d)). Original jurisdiction to grant an application for a writ of habeas corpus in a criminal case is vested in the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, the district courts, the county courts, or a judge in those courts. Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art 11.05. Therefore, this court does not have original habeas-corpus jurisdiction to grant relator’s requested relief.

Accordingly, we dismiss relator’s petition for writ of mandamus for lack of jurisdiction.

PER CURIAM

Panel consists of Justices Wise, Bourliot, and Zimmerer.
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