

Court of Appeals
Fourth Court of Appeals District of Texas
San Antonio



MEMORANDUM OPINION

No. 04-11-00850-CR

IN RE Charles TAYLOR, Jr.

Original Mandamus Proceeding¹

PER CURIAM

Sitting: Sandee Bryan Marion, Justice
Rebecca Simmons, Justice
Marialyn Barnard, Justice

Delivered and Filed: December 7, 2011

PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS DENIED

On November 29, 2011, relator filed a petition for writ of mandamus, seeking to compel the trial court to rule on his *pro se* motion for judgment nunc pro tunc. However, in order to be entitled to mandamus relief, relator must establish that the trial court: (1) had a legal duty to perform a non-discretionary act; (2) was asked to perform the act; and (3) failed or refused to do so. *In re Molina*, 94 S.W.3d 885, 886 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 2003, orig. proceeding). When a properly filed motion is pending before a trial court, the act of giving consideration to and ruling upon that motion is ministerial, and mandamus may issue to compel the trial judge to act. *See Safety-Kleen Corp. v. Garcia*, 945 S.W.2d 268, 269 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 1997, orig. proceeding). However, mandamus will not issue unless the record indicates that a properly filed

¹ This proceeding arises out of Cause No. 1998-CR-4843, styled *State of Texas v. Charles Taylor, Jr.*, in the 227th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas, the Honorable Philip Kazen presiding.

motion has awaited disposition for an unreasonable amount of time. *See id.* Relator has the burden of providing this court with a record sufficient to establish his right to mandamus relief. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 52.7(a) (“Relator must file with the petition [] a certified or sworn copy of every document that is material to the relator’s claim for relief and that was filed in any underlying proceeding”); *see also* TEX. R. APP. P. 52.3(k)(1)(A); *Walker v. Packer*, 827 S.W.2d 833, 837 (Tex. 1992).

Here, relator asserts he filed his motion on October 17, 2011. However, he has not provided this court with a file stamped copy of the motion or any other documents to show that a properly filed motion is pending before the trial court and has been brought to the trial court’s attention. Additionally, even if relator’s motion has been pending since October 17, 2011, we cannot say the motion has awaited disposition for an unreasonable amount of time. Based on the foregoing, we conclude relator has not shown himself entitled to mandamus relief. Accordingly, relator’s petition for writ of mandamus is DENIED. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 52.8(a).

PER CURIAM

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