

Fourth Court of Appeals San Antonio, Texas

MEMORANDUM OPINION

No. 04-14-00419-CV

IN THE INTEREST OF S.G., a Child

From the 225th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas Trial Court No. 2013-PA-02259 Honorable Richard Garcia, Judge Presiding

Opinion by: Patricia O. Alvarez, Justice

Sitting: Marialyn Barnard, Justice

Patricia O. Alvarez, Justice Luz Elena D. Chapa, Justice

Delivered and Filed: November 5, 2014

AFFIRMED

Appellant J.R. appeals the trial court's order terminating her parental rights to her child S.G. The trial court determined Appellant constructively abandoned her child, failed to comply with her court-ordered service plan, and used a controlled substance in a manner that endangered her child. *See* TEX. FAM. CODE ANN. § 161.001(1)(N), (O), (P) (West 2014). The court also determined that terminating Appellant's parental rights was in the child's best interest. *See id.* § 161.001(2).

Appellant's court-appointed attorney filed a brief containing a professional evaluation of the record. In the brief, counsel asserts he diligently reviewed the record but could not find "any point of error upon which a non-frivolous appeal might be based." Based on his review, counsel concludes the record supports the trial court's order.

Counsel's brief meets the requirements of *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 744 (1967). *See In re D.D.*, 279 S.W.3d 849, 850 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2009, pet. denied) (applying *Anders* procedure in an appeal from termination of parental rights); *In re D.E.S.*, 135 S.W.3d 326, 329 (Tex. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 2004, no pet.); *In re R.R.*, No. 04–03–00096–CV, 2003 WL 21157944, at *4 (Tex. App.—San Antonio May 21, 2003, no pet.). Counsel provided Appellant with a copy of the *Anders* brief.

Counsel also informed Appellant of her right to file a pro se brief and provided her a pro se motion to request a free copy of the appellate record. *See Kelly v. State*, 436 S.W.3d 313, 319–20 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014). The motion contained the correct style, appeal number, and address for this court. *See id.* To receive a free copy of the record, Appellant had to do no more than sign, date, and mail the motion. *See id.* at 320. Appellant did not file either the motion for a free copy of the record or a pro se brief. *See id.* at 321.

After reviewing the record, we agree the appeal is frivolous and without merit. The trial court's order is affirmed; counsel's motion to withdraw is granted. *See Nichols v. State*, 954 S.W.2d 83, 85–86 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 1997, no pet.); *Bruns v. State*, 924 S.W.2d 176, 177 n.1 (Tex. App.—San Antonio 1996, no pet.).

Patricia O. Alvarez, Justice