

Fourth Court of Appeals San Antonio, Texas

MEMORANDUM OPINION

No. 04-14-00598-CR

IN RE Harold S. BOWENS Jr.

Original Mandamus Proceeding¹

PER CURIAM

Sitting: Catherine Stone, Chief Justice

Sandee Bryan Marion, Justice Rebeca C. Martinez, Justice

Delivered and Filed: September 3, 2014

PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS DISMISSED FOR LACK OF JURISDICTION

On August 21, 2014, relator Harold S. Bowens Jr. filed a pro se petition for writ of mandamus complaining that the trial court has "refused to enforce" his plea bargain agreement. Relator was convicted of murder in October 1985 and no direct appeal of his conviction or sentence was taken to this court.

Only the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has jurisdiction over matters related to post-conviction relief from an otherwise final felony conviction. *See Ater v. Eighth Court of Appeals*, 802 S.W.2d 241, 243 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991); *see also* Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 11.07 (West Supp. 2014); *Board of Pardons & Paroles ex rel. Keene v. Court of Appeals for Eighth Dist.*, 910 S.W.2d 481, 483 (Tex. Crim. App. 1995) (holding "Article 11.07 provides the exclusive

¹ This proceeding arises out of Cause No. 1985CR3726, styled *The State of Texas v. Harold Bowens*, pending in the 290th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas, the Honorable Melisa Skinner presiding.

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means to challenge a final felony conviction."). Because the relief sought in relator's petition relates to post-conviction relief from an otherwise final felony conviction, we are without jurisdiction to consider his petition for writ of mandamus.

Accordingly, relator's petition is dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

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