

# Fourth Court of Appeals San Antonio, Texas

## **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

No. 04-14-00855-CR

#### IN RE Gerald SANFORD

Original Mandamus Proceeding<sup>1</sup>

#### PER CURIAM

Sitting: Sandee Bryan Marion, Justice

Rebeca C. Martinez, Justice Luz Elena D. Chapa, Justice

Delivered and Filed: December 17, 2014

### PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS DENIED

Relator Gerald Sanford filed this pro se petition for writ of mandamus on December 9, 2014, complaining of the trial court's denial of his right to appeal his conviction following a negotiated plea agreement in the underlying criminal proceeding. Relator has been appointed counsel to represent him in connection with his criminal charges. We conclude that any original proceeding on the issue raised should be presented by relator's appointed counsel. Relator is not entitled to hybrid representation. *See Patrick v. State*, 906 S.W.2d 481, 498 (Tex. Crim. App. 1995). The absence of a right to hybrid representation means relator's pro se mandamus petition will be treated as presenting nothing for this court's review. *See id.*; *see also Gray v. Shipley*, 877

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This proceeding arises out of Cause No. 2012CR10422, styled *The State of Texas v. Gerald Sanford*, pending in the 399th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas, the Honorable Ray Olivarri presiding.

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S.W.2d 806, 806 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] 1994, orig. proceeding). Accordingly, relator's petition for writ of mandamus is denied. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 52.8(a).

Additionally, relator submitted an application for leave to file his petition for writ of mandamus. No leave is required to file a petition for writ of mandamus in this court. Tex. R. App. P. 52. Therefore, relator's request for leave to file is denied as moot.

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