

Fourth Court of Appeals San Antonio, Texas

MEMORANDUM OPINION

No. 04-17-00144-CV

In the Interest of L.R., III and A.R., Children

From the 216th Judicial District Court, Kerr County, Texas Trial Court No. 15759A Honorable Cathy Morris, Judge Presiding

Opinion by: Karen Angelini, Justice

Sitting: Karen Angelini, Justice Marialyn Barnard, Justice Irene Rios, Justice

Delivered and Filed: August 30, 2017

AFFIRMED; MOTION TO WITHDRAW DENIED

Appellant L.R., Jr. appeals the trial court's order terminating his parental rights to his minor children, L.R., III and A.R. Appellant's court-appointed counsel filed a motion to withdraw and a brief containing a professional evaluation of the record and concluding there are no arguable grounds to be advanced. The brief satisfies the requirements of *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). *See In the Interest of P.M.*, 520 S.W.3d 24, 27 n.10 (Tex. 2016) (recognizing that *Anders* procedures apply in parental termination cases). Appellant was provided with copies of the brief and the appellate record, and was advised of his right to file his own brief. Appellant filed a pro se brief.

After reviewing the record, counsel's brief, and appellant's pro se brief, we conclude the appeal is frivolous and without merit. We deny counsel's motion to withdraw. *See id.* at 27-28

(holding that counsel's obligations in parental termination cases extend through the exhaustion or waiver of all appeals, including the filing of a petition for review in the Texas Supreme Court). We affirm the trial court's termination order.

Karen Angelini, Justice