

In The
Court of Appeals
Ninth District of Texas at Beaumont

NO. 09-14-00477-CR

RODNEY KEITH HAZLIP, Appellant

V.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee

**On Appeal from the 221st District Court
Montgomery County, Texas
Trial Cause No. 10-04-04149 CR**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Rodney Keith Hazlip filed a notice of appeal regarding the trial court's order of October 9, 2014, which denied a motion that Hazlip filed in his criminal case after his conviction was affirmed on appeal. *See Hazlip v. State*, No. 09-11-00086-CR, 2012 WL 4466352, at *1 (Tex. App.—Beaumont Sept. 26, 2012, pet. ref'd) (mem. op.) (not designated for publication), *cert. denied by Hazlip v. Texas*, 134 S.Ct. 2704 (2014). On November 13, 2014, we notified the parties that our jurisdiction was not apparent from the notice of appeal, and that we would dismiss

the appeal for want of jurisdiction unless we received a response showing grounds for continuing the appeal. Hazlip filed a response, but failed to demonstrate jurisdiction in that response.

“Jurisdiction must be expressly given to the courts of appeals in a statute.” *Ragston v. State*, 424 S.W.3d 49, 52 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014). The general right of appeal in a criminal case is limited to appeal from a judgment of conviction. *See Abbott v. State*, 271 S.W.3d 694, 695-97 (Tex. Crim. App. 2008); *see also* Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 44.02 (West 2006). Hazlip’s motion sought the release of juror card information. A trial court may disclose juror information in certain circumstances, but the statute that authorizes the trial court’s action does not expressly authorize an appeal of an adverse ruling on a request that is made in a closed case. *See* Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 35.29 (West Supp. 2014). Accordingly, we dismiss this appeal for want of jurisdiction.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

STEVE McKEITHEN
Chief Justice

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Before McKeithen, C.J., Kreger and Horton, JJ.