

## COURT OF APPEALS SECOND DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH

## NO. 02-15-00141-CV

IN THE INTEREST OF K.K., A CHILD

FROM THE 360TH DISTRICT COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY TRIAL COURT NO. 360-474497-10

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## **MEMORANDUM OPINION<sup>1</sup>**

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Pro se Appellant J.K. attempts to "appeal the [trial] court's decision at the April 17, 2015 hearing" in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship. On April 27, 2015, we notified the parties of our concern that we have no jurisdiction in this matter because it appeared that there was no final judgment or signed order subject to appeal; we also informed them that the notice of appeal was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See Tex. R. App. P. 47.4.

premature.<sup>2</sup> We indicated that this appeal would be dismissed for want of jurisdiction if a party did not furnish this court with a signed copy of the order Appellant seeks to appeal by May 18, 2015.<sup>3</sup> We have received no response.

Meanwhile, we have received information that on April 17, 2015, an associate judge signed a "Communications Order" and an "Associate Judge's Report for Additional Temporary Orders." We have no way of knowing if one or both of those documents form the basis of Appellant's appeal. Further, we have received information that the trial court cause has been consolidated with a more recently filed trial court cause bearing the same style, which also remains pending below.

The time for perfecting an appeal in a civil case runs from a signed judgment, not an oral rendition.<sup>4</sup> Further, temporary orders in suits affecting the parent-child relationship are not appealable.<sup>5</sup> Accordingly, even if the April 17,

<sup>2</sup>See Tex. R. App. P. 26.1(a), 27.1(a).

<sup>3</sup>See Stewart v. Stewart, No. 02-09-00285-CV, 2009 WL 3416553, at \*1 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth Oct. 22, 2009, no pet.) (mem. op.).

<sup>4</sup>See *id.*; see also Tex. R. App. P. 26.1.

<sup>5</sup>See Tex. Fam. Code Ann. § 105.001(e) (West 2014); see also Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code Ann. § 51.014(a) (West 2015) (listing types of appealable interlocutory orders); *Lehmann v. Har–Con Corp.*, 39 S.W.3d 191, 195 (Tex. 2001) (stating that generally an appeal may be taken only from a final judgment and that a judgment is final and appealable if it disposes of all parties and all issues); *In re J.W.L.*, 291 S.W.3d 79, 83 (Tex. App.—Fort Worth 2009, orig. proceeding [mand. denied]) (reiterating that temporary orders in family law cases are not appealable).

2015 decision Appellant complains of has been reduced to writing and signed by the trial judge, it is not appealable. We therefore dismiss this appeal for want of jurisdiction.<sup>6</sup>

PER CURIAM

PANEL: DAUPHINOT, GARDNER, and WALKER, JJ.

DELIVERED: August 6, 2015

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>See Tex. R. App. P. 42.3(a), 43.2(f).