

COURT OF APPEALS SECOND DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH

NO. 02-17-00107-CV

CHRISTI SCHREIBER, ARENDIJUS MEJERAS, T.C. CALLENDER, DIANNE CALLENDER. ALEXANDER COTHRAN, VIRGINIA P. COTHRAN, STEVEN E. CRUDUP, LAURA L. CRUDUP, BENGE R. DANIEL JR., JACKIE L. DANIEL, MARTHA J. FRY, RICHARD C. GASSER, MARILYN L. GASSER, ROBERT R. GASSER, MARC M. GOLDMAN, STACIE F. GOLDMAN, MELVIN R. HAAS JR., LAURA J. HAAS, MICHAEL J. HILL, SARAH R. HILL, ALAN LEACH, SUSAN LEACH, GREG D. MORSE, F. WALTER OWEN, SHEILA OWEN, RICHARD D. YENTIS, AND EDITH T. YENTIS

APPELLANTS

V.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, SARA SCHUSTER, AND SCOTT SCHUSTER APPELLEES

FROM THE 153RD DISTRICT COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY TRIAL COURT NO. 153-284091-16

CONCURRING MEMORANDUM OPINION¹

I write separately only to emphasize that but for the standard of review that ties our hands, I would conclude that the Schusters' need for a variance was a self-imposed hardship; that the dormant utility easement—on top of which the Schusters planned, after all, to construct a swimming pool even if not the house proper—did not justify a variance; and that an oddly shaped lot is an insufficient reason to grant a setback variance so that a roughly 10,000-square-foot house may be situated so close to the street.

/s/ Elizabeth Kerr

ELIZABETH KERR JUSTICE

DELIVERED: January 11, 2018

¹See Tex. R. App. P. 47.4.