## NO. 07-03-0039-CR

## IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE SEVENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS

AT AMARILLO

PANEL A

APRIL 17, 2003

DAVID SOLOMON MAZE, APPELLANT

V.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, APPELLEE

FROM THE CRIMINAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY;

NO. 81899; HONORABLE LARRY GIST, JUDGE

Before JOHNSON, C.J., and REAVIS and CAMPBELL, JJ.

## MEMORANDUM OPINION ABATEMENT AND REMAND

Pending in this court is an appeal by David Maze, appellant, in which appointed counsel for appellant has filed a brief in accordance with the principles set out in <u>Anders</u> <u>v. California</u>, 386 U.S. 738 (1967). Appellant has advised this court, both by *pro se* motions and correspondence, that he desires to file a *pro se* response to his counsel's

<u>Anders</u> brief, but that he has been unable to access a copy of the clerk's records for his conviction despite repeated attempts and requests. The appeal has been abated pending appellant's having been afforded access to the clerk's record for his conviction.

This court's previous order abating the appeal is continued pending further order of this court. Additionally, this cause is remanded to the Criminal District Court of Jefferson County (the trial court). Upon remand, the judge of the trial court is directed to immediately cause notice to be given of and to conduct a hearing to determine: (1) whether appellant has or has had sufficient access to the clerk's record on appeal or a copy of the clerk's record on appeal in this matter to afford appellant a reasonable time to prepare a *pro se* response to his appellate counsel's <u>Anders</u> brief; and (2) if appellant does not have or has not had reasonable access to the clerk's record on appeal or a copy thereof, then what orders, if any, should be entered to assure such access by appellant to the record. Additionally, the trial court is directed to enter orders, if any, which it determines should be entered to assure appellant such access to a copy of the clerk's record on appeal as is reasonable for appellant to prepare a response to appellant's counsel's <u>Anders</u> brief.

The trial court is directed to: (1) conduct any necessary hearings; (2) make and file appropriate findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations, and cause them to be included in a clerk's record on remand; (3) enter any orders appropriate to the circumstances; (4) cause the hearing proceedings to be transcribed and included in a reporter's record; and (5) have a record of the proceedings made to the extent any of the proceedings are not included in the supplemental clerk's record or the reporter's record. In the absence of a request for extension of time from the trial court, the clerk's record on remand, reporter's record of the hearing and proceedings pursuant to this order, and any additional proceeding records, including any orders, findings, conclusions and recommendations, are to be sent so as to be received by the clerk of this court not later than May 16, 2003.

Per Curiam

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