

NO. 07-12-00052-CR
IN THE COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SEVENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AT AMARILLO
PANEL C
AUGUST 30, 2012

COREY LEE WHITMIRE, APPELLANT

v.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, APPELLEE

FROM THE 213TH DISTRICT COURT OF TARRANT COUNTY;
NO. 1189222D; HONORABLE LOUIS E. STURNS, JUDGE

Before QUINN, C.J., and HANCOCK and PIRTLE, JJ.

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Appellant, Corey Lee Whitmire, entered a plea of guilty to the trial court to aggravated sexual assault of a child younger than 14 years.¹ After receiving the evidence on the issue of punishment, the trial court sentenced appellant to confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for 17 years. Appellant has appealed his conviction. We affirm.

Appellant=s attorney has filed an Anders brief and a motion to withdraw. Anders v. California, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S.Ct. 1396, 18 L.Ed. 2d 498 (1967). In support of his motion to withdraw, counsel certifies that he has diligently reviewed the record, and in

¹ See TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. § 22.021(a)(1)(B)(iv), (a)(2)(B) (West 2011).

his opinion, the record reflects no reversible error upon which an appeal can be predicated. Id. at 744-45. In compliance with High v. State, 573 S.W.2d 807, 813 (Tex.Crim.App. 1978), counsel has candidly discussed why, under the controlling authorities, there is no error in the trial court=s judgment. Additionally, counsel has certified that he has provided appellant a copy of the Anders brief and motion to withdraw and appropriately advised appellant of his right to file a *pro se* response in this matter. Stafford v. State, 813 S.W.2d 503, 510 (Tex.Crim.App. 1991). The court has also advised appellant of his right to file a *pro se* response. Appellant has not filed a response. By his Anders brief, counsel reviewed all grounds that could possibly support an appeal, but concludes the appeal is frivolous. We have reviewed these grounds and made an independent review of the entire record to determine whether there are any arguable grounds which might support an appeal. See Penson v. Ohio, 488 U.S. 75, 109 S.Ct. 346, 102 L.Ed.2d 300 (1988); Bledsoe v. State, 178 S.W.3d 824 (Tex.Crim.App. 2005). We have found no such arguable grounds and agree with counsel that the appeal is frivolous.

Accordingly, counsel=s motion to withdraw is hereby granted and the trial court=s judgment is affirmed.²

Mackey K. Hancock
Justice

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² Counsel shall, within five days after this opinion is handed down, send his client a copy of the opinion and judgment, along with notification of appellant=s right to file a *pro se* petition for discretionary review. See TEX. R. APP. P. 48.4.