



**IN THE
TENTH COURT OF APPEALS**

No. 10-08-00268-CV

**IN RE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

No. 10-08-00270-CV

IN RE JAMES EHLERS

Original Proceeding

MEMORANDUM OPINION

The Department of Family and Protective Services filed an application with this Court for the issuance of a writ of mandamus against the Respondent, Honorable Greg Wilhelm, Judge of the County Court at Law No. 1 of Ellis County. James Ehlers, joined by attorney ad litem Gloria Ortiz, also filed a mandamus application against Judge Wilhelm. In both applications, the parties contend that Respondent abused his discretion by refusing to enter a final judgment memorializing the jury's verdict in a

parental-rights termination case and by issuing an order appointing a transition master and a transition coordinator. Ehlers further contends that Respondent abused his discretion because the transition order effectively denies him access to his daughter.

However, the trial court has since signed a final judgment and a separate order vacating its transition order. Accordingly, we dismiss the mandamus applications as moot. *See In re Jaramillo*, 164 S.W.3d 774, 775 (Tex. App.—Texarkana 2005, orig. proceeding).

FELIPE REYNA
Justice

Before Chief Justice Gray,
Justice Vance, and
Justice Reyna
Petitions dismissed
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