



**IN THE
TENTH COURT OF APPEALS**

No. 10-21-00166-CV

IN THE INTEREST OF E.M., A CHILD

**From the 52nd District Court
Coryell County, Texas
Trial Court No. DC-20-51467**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

J.M. appeals the trial court's order terminating J.M.'s parental rights to her child. By letter dated July 19, 2021, the Clerk of this Court notified J.M. that the appeal was subject to dismissal because the notice of appeal appeared untimely. The Clerk informed J.M. that because the trial court's Final Order of Termination was signed on April 28, 2021, and an appeal in a parental rights termination case is governed by the rules of appellate procedure for accelerated appeals, the notice of appeal was due May 18, 2021. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 26.1(b); 28.4(a)(1). J.M.'s notice of appeal was not filed until July 9, 2021, and the filing of a motion for new trial, any other post-trial motion, or a request for findings of fact did not extend the time to file a notice of appeal. *Id.* 28.1(b).

In the same letter, the Clerk warned J.M. that the appeal would be dismissed if a response showing grounds for continuing the appeal was not filed with the Court within 14 days from the date of the letter. More than 14 days have passed, and J.M. has not responded.

Accordingly, this appeal is dismissed. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 42.3(a),(c).

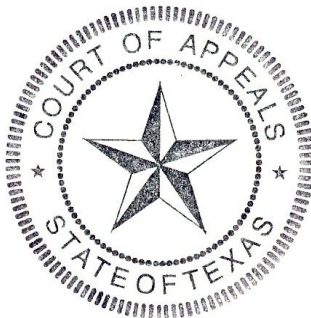
TOM GRAY
Chief Justice

Before Chief Justice Gray,
Justice Johnson, and
Justice Rose¹

Appeal dismissed

Opinion delivered and filed August 18, 2021

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¹ The Honorable Jeff Rose, Former Chief Justice of the Third Court of Appeals, sitting by assignment of the Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court. *See* TEX. GOV'T CODE §§ 74.003, 75.002, 75.003.