TEXAS COURT OF APPEALS, THIRD DISTRICT, AT AUSTIN

NO. 03-13-00813-CR

Wesley Perkins, Appellant

v.

The State of Texas, Appellee

FROM THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 3 OF TRAVIS COUNTY NO. C-1-CR-13-200882, HONORABLE JOHN LIPSCOMBE, JUDGE PRESIDING

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Wesley Perkins filed a notice of appeal from the trial court's pretrial order increasing his bond and the "effective denial of his special appearance" in the underlying prosecution for the offense of driving while license invalid. *See* Tex. Transp. Code § 521.457.

We do not have jurisdiction to review interlocutory orders in a criminal appeal absent express statutory authority. *Apolinar v. State*, 820 S.W.2d 792, 794 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991). And this Court has ruled that we lack jurisdiction over a direct appeal from an interlocutory pretrial order on a motion to increase a bond. *Ex parte Shumake*, 953 S.W.2d 842, 846-47 (Tex. App.—Austin 1997, no pet.).

As such, we notified the parties that it appeared we lacked jurisdiction over this appeal and requested a response to this jurisdictional issue. Perkins's response that this is an interlocutory appeal of a civil matter is unpersuasive and does not demonstrate our jurisdiction because the record reflects a criminal prosecution. See Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 51.014(f)

(authorizing trial courts to issue written orders granting permission to appeal otherwise unappealable

interlocutory orders in certain civil cases). Accordingly, we dismiss this appeal for want of

jurisdiction. See Tex. R. App. P. 43.2(f).

Jeff Rose, Justice

Before Chief Justice Jones, Justices Pemberton and Rose

Dismissed for Want of Jurisdiction

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