



**NUMBER 13-17-00116-CV**

**COURT OF APPEALS**

**THIRTEENTH DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

**CORPUS CHRISTI - EDINBURG**

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**IN THE INTEREST OF D. B. JR., A CHILD**

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**On appeal from the 430th District Court  
of Hidalgo County, Texas.**

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**MEMORANDUM OPINION**

**Before Chief Justice Valdez and Justices Rodriguez and Hinojosa  
Memorandum Opinion by Justice Hinojosa**

Appellant, Daniel Bernal, attempted to perfect an appeal from an order signed on February 15, 2017, in cause no. F-184-10-J. Upon review of the documents before the Court, it appeared that there was no final, appealable judgment dated February 15, 2017. On February 23, 2017, the Clerk of this Court notified appellant of this defect so that steps could be taken to correct the defect, if it could be done. See TEX. R. APP. P. 37.1, 42.3. Appellant was advised that, if the defect was not corrected within ten days from the date

of receipt of the notice, the appeal would be dismissed for want of jurisdiction. Appellant failed to respond to the Court's notice.

The Hidalgo County Clerk's Office has informed this Court that temporary orders were signed on March 3, 2017, but no final judgment has been entered. In terms of appellate jurisdiction, appellate courts only have jurisdiction to review final judgments and certain interlocutory orders identified by statute. *Lehmann v. Har-Con Corp.*, 39 S.W.3d 191, 195 (Tex. 2001).

The Court, having considered the documents on file and appellant's failure to correct the defect in this matter, is of the opinion that the appeal should be dismissed for want of jurisdiction. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISMISSED FOR WANT OF JURISDICTION**. See TEX. R. APP. P. 42.3(a),(c).

LETICIA HINOJOSA  
Justice

Delivered and filed the  
13th day of April, 2017.