NO. 12-17-00166-CR

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT

TYLER, TEXAS

RANDALL GENE LOONEY, II,
APPELLANT

V.
\$ JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
APPELLEE \$ HENDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

MEMORANDUM OPINION PER CURIAM

Randall Gene Looney, II appeals his conviction for aggravated kidnapping with a deadly weapon. Appellant's counsel filed a brief in compliance with *Anders v. California*, 386 U.S. 738, 87 S. Ct. 1396, 18 L. Ed. 2d 493 (1967) and *Gainous v. State*, 436 S.W.2d 137 (Tex. Crim. App. 1969). Thereafter, Appellant filed a pro se brief. We affirm.

BACKGROUND

Appellant was charged by indictment with aggravated kidnapping with a deadly weapon. The indictment further alleged that Appellant previously was convicted of two felonies. Appellant pleaded "not guilty," and the matter proceeded to a jury trial. Following the presentation of evidence, the jury found Appellant "guilty" as charged. The matter proceeded to a trial on punishment, whereupon the jury found the enhancement allegations to be "true" and assessed Appellant's punishment at imprisonment for seventy-five years. The trial court sentenced Appellant accordingly, and this appeal followed.

ANALYSIS PURSUANT TO ANDERS V. CALIFORNIA

Appellant's counsel filed a brief in compliance with *Anders v. California* and *Gainous v.*State. Appellant's counsel states that he diligently reviewed the appellate record and is of the

opinion that the record reflects no reversible error and that there is no error upon which an appeal can be predicated. He further relates that he is well acquainted with the facts in this case. In compliance with *Anders*, *Gainous*, and *High v. State*, 573 S.W.2d 807 (Tex. Crim. App. [Panel Op.] 1978), Appellant's brief presents a chronological summation of the procedural history of the case and further states that Appellant's counsel is unable to raise any arguable issues for appeal.¹

Thereafter, Appellant filed a document styled "Pro Se Brief," in which he argued that he "has not received a true and correct copy of the trial transcripts" and, therefore, cannot file a pro se brief.² We reviewed the record for reversible error and have found none. *See Bledsoe v. State*, 178 S.W.3d 824, 826–27 (Tex. Crim. App. 2005).

CONCLUSION

As required by *Stafford v. State*, 813 S.W.2d 503 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991), Appellant's counsel has moved for leave to withdraw. *See also In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d 403, 407 (Tex. Crim. App. 2008) (orig. proceeding). We carried the motion for consideration with the merits. Having done so and finding no reversible error, Appellant's counsel's motion for leave to withdraw is hereby *granted* and the trial court's judgment is *affirmed*.

As a result of our disposition of this case, Appellant's counsel has a duty to, within five days of the date of this opinion, send a copy of the opinion and judgment to Appellant and advise him of his right to file a petition for discretionary review. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 48.4; *In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 411 n.35. Should Appellant wish to seek review of this case by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, he must either retain an attorney to file a petition for discretionary review on his behalf or he must file a petition for discretionary review pro se. Any petition for discretionary review must be filed within thirty days from the date of either this opinion or the last timely motion for rehearing that was overruled by this court. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 68.2. Any petition for discretionary review must be filed with the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 68.3(a). Any petition for discretionary review should comply with the

¹ In compliance with *Kelly v. State*, Appellant's counsel provided Appellant with a copy of the brief, notified Appellant of his motion to withdraw as counsel, informed Appellant of his right to file a pro se response, and took concrete measures to facilitate Appellant's review of the appellate record. *See Kelly v. State*, 436 S.W.3d 313, 319 (Tex. Crim. App. 2014).

² On May 10, 2018, the trial court coordinator informed this court by letter with attached certified mail receipts that a complete copy of the appellate record was sent to Appellant on March 6, 2018, in compliance with this court's order. Appellant's pro se brief was due by and accepted for filing on July 27, 2018.

requirements of Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 68.4. *See In re Schulman*, 252 S.W.3d at 408 n.22.

Opinion delivered November 14, 2018. Panel consisted of Worthen, C.J., Hoyle, J., and Neeley, J.

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JUDGMENT

NOVEMBER 14, 2018

NO. 12-17-00166-CR

RANDALL GENE LOONEY, II,
Appellant
V.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
Appellee

Appeal from the 3rd District Court of Henderson County, Texas (Tr.Ct.No. CR16-0180-3)

THIS CAUSE came to be heard on the appellate record and briefs filed herein, and the same being considered, it is the opinion of this court that there was no error in the judgment.

It is therefore ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the judgment of the court below **be in all things affirmed**, and that this decision be certified to the court below for observance.

By per curiam opinion.

Panel consisted of Worthen, C.J., Hoyle, J. and Neeley, J.