

**NO. 12-19-00140-CR**

**IN THE COURT OF APPEALS**

**TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT**

**TYLER, TEXAS**

***WILLIE JAMES GREEN, JR.,  
APPELLANT***

§ ***APPEAL FROM THE 114TH***

***V.***

§ ***JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT***

***THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
APPELLEE***

§ ***SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS***

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***MEMORANDUM OPINION  
PER CURIAM***

This appeal is being dismissed for want of jurisdiction. Willie James Green, Jr., acting pro se, filed a notice of appeal regarding trial court cause number 114-1374-08. Under the rules of appellate procedure, the notice of appeal must be filed within thirty days after the sentence is imposed or suspended in open court, or after the day the trial court enters an appealable order; or within ninety days if the defendant timely files a motion for new trial. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 26.2(a). Rule 26.3 provides that a motion to extend the time for filing a notice of appeal must be filed within fifteen days after the deadline for filing the notice of appeal. TEX. R. APP. P. 26.3. In this case, sentence was imposed on November 18, 2008. Appellant filed his notice of appeal on April 15, 2019, long after the time for filing a notice of appeal under Rule 26.2(a) or for seeking a motion to extend under Rule 26.3.

On April 15, this Court notified Appellant that the information received failed to show the jurisdiction of the Court, i.e., there was no notice of appeal filed within the time allowed by Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 26.2 and no timely motion for extension of time to file same as permitted by Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 26.3. The notice informed Appellant that the appeal would be dismissed unless the information was amended on or before April 25 to show this Court's jurisdiction. The deadline passed without a response from Appellant.

“[I]n Texas, appeals by either the State or the defendant in a criminal case are permitted only when they are specifically authorized by statute.” *State ex rel. Lykos v. Fine*, 330 S.W.3d 904, 915 (Tex. Crim. App. 2011). This Court is not authorized to extend the time for perfecting an appeal except as provided by the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure.<sup>1</sup> See TEX. R. APP. P. 26.2, 26.3; see also *Slaton v. State*, 981 S.W.2d 208, 210 (Tex. Crim. App. 1998); *Olivo v. State*, 918 S.W.2d 519, 522 (Tex. Crim. App. 1996). In the present case, Appellant’s appeal is untimely. Accordingly, we *dismiss* Appellant’s appeal for *want of jurisdiction*. See TEX. R. APP. P. 43.2(f). All pending motions are *overruled as moot*.

Opinion delivered April 30, 2019.

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

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<sup>1</sup> Only the court of criminal appeals has jurisdiction to grant an out-of-time appeal. See *Ater v. Eighth Court of Appeals*, 802 S.W.2d 241, 243 (Tex. Crim. App. 1991); see also *Kossie v. State*, No. 01-16-00738-CR, 2017 WL 631842, at \*1-2 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] Feb. 16, 2017, no pet. h.) (mem. op., not designated for publication) (dismissing for lack of jurisdiction because appellant could not pursue out of time appeal without permission from court of criminal appeals); see TEX. CODE CRIM. PROC. ANN. art 11.07 § 3(a) (West 2005).



## COURT OF APPEALS

### TWELFTH COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT OF TEXAS

#### JUDGMENT

APRIL 30, 2019

NO. 12-19-00140-CR

**WILLIE JAMES GREEN, JR.,**

Appellant

V.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,**

Appellee

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Appeal from the 114th District Court  
of Smith County, Texas (Tr.Ct.No. 114-1374-08)

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THIS CAUSE came on to be heard on the appellate record, and the same being considered, it is the opinion of this Court that it is without jurisdiction of the appeal, and that the appeal should be dismissed.

It is therefore ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED by this Court that this appeal be, and the same is, hereby **dismissed for want of jurisdiction**; 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.*