

IN THE UTAH COURT OF APPEALS

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State of Utah in the interest	)	MEMORANDUM DECISION
of J.D., a person under	)	(Not For Official Publication)
eighteen years of age.	)	
_____	)	Case No. 20070979-CA
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J.D.,	)	F I L E D
	)	(February 28, 2008)
Appellant,	)	
	)	2008 UT App 60
v.	)	
	)	
State of Utah,	)	
	)	
Appellee.	)	

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Second District Juvenile, Ogden Department, 980063  
The Honorable Kathleen M. Nelson

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Before Judges Thorne, Bench, and Billings.

PER CURIAM:

J.D. (Father) appeals the termination of his parental rights. Because this court lacks jurisdiction over the appeal, we dismiss it.

If an original notice of appeal is not signed by the parent, an amended notice of appeal must be filed within fifteen days of the original notice of appeal. See Utah R. App. P. 53(b). When an amended notice of appeal is not timely filed, the appeal must be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. See In re J.J.L., 2005 UT App 322, ¶ 6, 119 P.3d 315.

Father did not sign the initial notice of appeal as required by rule 53(b). See Utah R. App. P. 53(b). Accordingly, Father was required to file an amended notice with his signature to perfect jurisdiction. Father filed his amended notice twenty

days after the original notice of appeal was filed. Because Father failed to file a signed amended notice of appeal within fifteen days of filing his original notice, his amended notice of appeal is untimely and his appeal must be dismissed. See id.

Accordingly, Father's appeal is dismissed.

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William A. Thorne Jr.,  
Associate Presiding Judge

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Russell W. Bench, Judge

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Judith M. Billings, Judge