

FIFTH COURT OF APPEALS OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

Deloris Phillips v. Porshala Phillips and William Brent

Phillips · Decided June 5, 2018

SUMMARY

This document is an amended notice of appeal filed pro se by Deloris Phillips in connection with a Dallas County family-law matter, Cause No. DF-18-00541. It seeks review of June 2018 orders concerning subpoenas, discovery from Dallas officials and police personnel, school records, and communication with children. The submission includes several trial-court orders, a declaration under penalty of perjury, and certificates of conference and service.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Fifth Court of Appeals of Texas at Dallas
JURISDICTION	Texas
DECIDED	June 5, 2018
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Appellant filed an amended notice of appeal from several June 2018 orders of the 254th Judicial District Court in Dallas County concerning discovery requests, subpoenas, and a motion to confer with children.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	not applicable; supplied document is a notice of appeal rather than a court opinion
PARTIES	Deloris Phillips v. Porshala Phillips, William Brent

TOPICS

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PRACTICE AREAS

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the trial court erred in denying Phillips's motions for leave to pursue subpoenas, interrogatories, and discovery concerning children's school records and Dallas officials.
2. Whether the trial court erred by restricting Phillips from filing further discovery motions or requests directed to the City of Dallas, its officials, or employees.

3. Whether the trial court erred in ruling on Phillips's motion concerning a conference with the children.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Deloris Phillips sought leave to subpoena children's school records and to obtain testimony, interrogatory responses, and records from Dallas police, city officials, and related personnel concerning events on October 25, 2013. The trial court denied the request for school records and denied a separate request for subpoenas, production, and interrogatories concerning the City of Dallas and its officials. The trial court also entered an order restricting Phillips from filing further motions or discovery requests directed to the City of Dallas, its officials, or employees.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The supplied document is an amended notice of appeal with attached trial-court orders, not an appellate opinion. The trial court denied or otherwise ruled on requests to subpoena school records and obtain testimony and records from Dallas officials, and restricted further discovery requests directed to the City of Dallas and its officials. Deloris Phillips sought review in the Fifth Court of Appeals.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- *Mansions in the Forest, L.P. v. Montgomery County*, 365 S.W.3d 314, 316 (Tex. 2012)