

FOURTH COURT OF APPEALS OF TEXAS, SAN ANTONIO

Edward Romero v. State

No. 04-14-00500-CR · No. No. 04-14-00500-CR · Decided September 16, 2014

SUMMARY

The Texas Fourth Court of Appeals issued an order addressing the late filing of the reporter's record in Edward Romero's criminal appeal. After the trial court found Romero indigent and appointed counsel, the court set September 26, 2014, as the deadline for filing the reporter's record and stated that no further extensions would be granted absent extenuating circumstances.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Fourth Court of Appeals of Texas, San Antonio
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Patricia O. Alvarez, Justice
JURISDICTION	Texas
DECIDED	September 16, 2014
DOCKET	No. 04-14-00500-CR
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The court issued an order addressing the late filing of the reporter's record in a criminal appeal and the appellant's entitlement to appeal without paying the reporter's fee.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	published
PARTIES	Edward Romero v. The State of Texas

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the reporter's record should be filed without requiring appellant to pay the reporter's fee after the trial court found appellant indigent.
2. What deadline should govern the filing of the overdue reporter's record.

HOLDINGS

1. After the trial court found appellant indigent and appointed counsel, the reporter's record was due to be filed without requiring appellant to pay the reporter's fee.
2. The reporter's record was ordered to be filed no later than September 26, 2014; absent extenuating circumstances, no further extensions would be granted.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The court reporter filed a second notice that the reporter's record was late and contended that appellant was not entitled to appeal without paying the reporter's fee. The trial court found appellant indigent and appointed counsel. The appellate court then notified the reporter of appellant's indigency and set a deadline for filing the reporter's record.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Court reporter Debra Doolittle filed a second notice of late record, asserting that appellant was not entitled to appeal without paying the fee. The trial court subsequently found appellant indigent and appointed counsel, and the appellate clerk notified the court reporter of that determination. The appellate court ordered that the reporter's record be filed by September 26, 2014, absent extenuating circumstances, and stated that no further extensions would be granted absent such circumstances.

DISPOSITION

other