

TEXAS COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

Ex parte Ledet

Ex parte Ledet · No. WR-32,778-01; C-396-010272-1152016-A · Decided February 27, 2015

SUMMARY

This document is Desmond Ledet's filing in a Texas Court of Criminal Appeals habeas proceeding. He requests de novo review of the record and objects to the trial court's adopted findings and conclusions, particularly those concerning public-trial claims, alleged complainant convictions, and counsel's failure to investigate or obtain favorable evidence.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Texas Court of Criminal Appeals
JURISDICTION	Texas
DECIDED	February 27, 2015
DOCKET	WR-32,778-01; C-396-010272-1152016-A
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Applicant submitted a pro se request in a post-conviction habeas proceeding, objecting to the trial court's proposed or adopted findings of fact and conclusions of law and requesting de novo review by the Court of Criminal Appeals.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	Applicant requested de novo review of the record, exhibits, affidavits, factual findings, and legal conclusions.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	No precedential value established from the supplied text; the document appears to be an applicant's pro se filing rather than a dispositive opinion.
PARTIES	Desmond Ledet v. State of Texas

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the Court of Criminal Appeals should independently review the habeas record and reject or revise allegedly incomplete or inaccurate trial court findings and conclusions.
2. Whether the trial court failed to address Ledet's claims that counsel was ineffective for failing to investigate or obtain favorable evidence.
3. Whether the trial court improperly found that evidence concerning the complainant's criminal history was accessible to Ledet from other sources.

KEY QUOTATIONS

"I, Desmond Ledet, Applicant in the above said cause, do hereby respectfully request that the honorable Court of Criminal Appeals will do a thorough examination of my writ, the record, all attached exhibits(police reports, affidavits, etc.)." (p. 1)

"And that this Court would severely scrutinize the trial court's adopted findings of fact and conclusions of law presented to this Court." (p. 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Ledet challenged the trial court's treatment of his post-conviction claims. He asserted that police reports and other materials could show convictions in the complainant's history and could provide character, motive, confrontation, and impeachment evidence. He also alleged that trial counsel failed to seek favorable evidence through an investigator, public-information request, or other means, and that some complainant-conviction information required a court order.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The document states that the matter involved a writ filed in Tarrant County and a trial court's findings and conclusions concerning numerous grounds for relief. Desmond Ledet objected that the findings were incomplete or inaccurate, particularly concerning alleged public-trial violations, impeachment evidence regarding the complainant, and counsel's failure to investigate or obtain favorable evidence. The submitted document is an applicant's request and does not state a ruling or disposition by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

DISPOSITION

other