United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 04-30656 Conference Calendar

DONALD RAY ALEXANDER,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

TOWN OF MANSURA; RENEA Y. ROY; PHILLIP LUCAS, In His Official Capacity as Chief of Police of the Town of Mansura,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana
USDC No. 1:03-CV-01494-FAL

Before JONES, SMITH, and PRADO, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Donald Ray Alexander appeals the district court's denial of his motion for a new trial. Alexander does not challenge the district court's determination that his motion for a new trial was not filed timely. See FED. R. CIV. P. 59(b).

We apply less stringent standards to parties proceeding pro se than to parties represented by counsel, and we liberally construe the briefs of pro se litigants; however, pro se parties must still brief the issues and reasonably comply with the

^{*} Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

requirements of FED. R. APP. P. 28. Grant v. Cuellar, 59 F.3d 523, 524 (5th Cir. 1995). When an appellant fails to identify any error in the district court's analysis, it is the same as if the appellant had not appealed that judgment. Brinkmann v. Dallas County Deputy Sheriff Abner, 813 F.2d 744, 748 (5th Cir. 1987). "FED. R. APP. P. 28(a)[(9)(A)] requires that the appellant's argument contain the reasons he deserves the requested relief with citation to the authorities, statutes and parts of the record relied on." Yohey v. Collins, 985 F.2d 222, 225 (5th Cir. 1993).

Because Alexander does not address the district court's reason for denying his new trial motion, he has abandoned the only issue on appeal. <u>Brinkmann</u>, 813 F.2d at 748. Alexander's appeal is without arguable merit and, therefore, is DISMISSED as frivolous. <u>See Howard v. King</u>, 707 F.2d 215, 219-20 (5th Cir. 1983); 5TH CIR. R. 42.2. Alexander is warned that further frivolous filings in this court will subject him to sanctions.

APPEAL DISMISSED; SANCTION WARNING ISSUED.