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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT United States Cou

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FILED February 26, 2013

No. 11-11241

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ARNOLD LEON SCHROEDER, JR.,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

KERN WILDENTHAL; EDWARD A. COPLEY; HARRY S. PARKER, III; BARBARA WIESSNER CHARLTON, Executor of the Estate of George Charlton; IRVIN LEVY; THE DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas No. 3:11-CV-525

Before STEWART, Chief Judge, and KING and OWEN, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:*

The judgment of the district court is affirmed for the following reasons:

1. Schroeder asserted claims for constructive fraud against each defendant but failed to state a cognizable claim for relief under Texas law. We agree with the district court that Schroeder did not plead sufficient facts to demonstrate the existence of any legal or equitable duty owed by 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.

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defendants that would give rise to such a claim. Nor did the district court abuse its discretion in denying Schroeder leave to amend his complaint. Schroeder had already filed an amended complaint as a matter of right, and we agree with the district court that further amendment would be futile.

2. Schroeder also argued that the defendants are liable through theories of civil conspiracy and aiding and abetting, and he requested an accounting of property and imposition of a constructive trust. These claims rise and fall with his constructive fraud claim and, accordingly, were properly dismissed by the district court.

AFFIRMED.