

United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fifth Circuit

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Fifth Circuit

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No. 22-20139

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MARVINELL HARLAN,

*Plaintiff—Appellant,*

*versus*

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION; APPEAL TRIBUNAL HEARING  
OFFICER J. KOEHN; HEARING OFFICER J. LAWRENCE;  
COMMISSIONERS HOPE ANDRADE; ANDRES ALCANTAR,

*Defendants—Appellees.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Southern District of Texas  
USDC No. 4:21-CV-3719

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Before HIGGINBOTHAM, GRAVES, and DOUGLAS, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:\*

Marvinell Harlan appeals the district court's dismissal of her civil action against the Texas Workforce Commission and various officials with that agency. Harlan's action followed her unsuccessful litigation in state court regarding the termination of unemployment benefits. The district court liberally construed Harlan's pleadings as raising claims for injunctive

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relief and damages under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 for violating the Fourteenth Amendment. However, the district court found that it lacked subject matter jurisdiction to consider Harlan's claims because they were barred by the Eleventh Amendment and the *Rooker-Feldman* doctrine, and it dismissed with prejudice. This court has considered this appeal on the basis of the briefs, record and applicable law in this matter. Having done so, the order of the district court is AFFIRMED.