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Commonwealth Of Kentucky

Court of Appeals

NO. 2005-CA-000351-ME

L.A.M.

APPELLANT

v. APPEAL FROM SCOTT CIRCUIT COURT
HONORABLE PAUL F. ISAACS, JUDGE
ACTION NO. 03-AD-00015

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
CABINET FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN;
S.M.; M.M.; A.M.; AND R.M.

APPELLEE

OPINION AND ORDER
DISMISSING APPEAL

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BEFORE: HENRY, JOHNSON, AND SCHRODER, JUDGES.

SCHRODER, JUDGE: This is a *pro se* appeal from orders terminating appellant's parental rights to her four children. Because appellant failed to file a brief meeting the minimum standards of CR 76.12, the appeal is dismissed.

By orders entered on January 21, and February 4, 2005, L.A.M.'s parental rights to her four children, M.M., A.M., S.M., and R.M., were involuntarily terminated. On February 21, 2005, L.A.M. filed her notice of appeal. On March 24, 2005, L.A.M.

filed her appellant's brief in the Scott Circuit Court, but did not file her brief in the Court of Appeals. On June 13, 2005, the Court of Appeals entered a show cause order because the time for filing the appellant's brief had expired. Sometime thereafter, appellant apparently tendered the brief she had filed in the Scott Circuit Court to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals.¹ On August 15, 2005, the Court of Appeals entered an order concluding that L.A.M.'s brief did not meet the minimum filing standards, returned the brief, and gave L.A.M. thirty (30) days to file a brief that was compliant with CR 76.12. On September 14, 2005, L.A.M. again filed in the Court of Appeals the same brief that had been returned. Accordingly, because appellant never filed a brief complying with CR 76.12, the appeal must be dismissed.

ALL CONCUR.

ENTERED: May 5, 2006

/s/ Wil Schroder
JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS

BRIEF FOR APPELLANT:

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¹ The initial brief and the filing date of that brief are not in the Court of Appeals record presumably because appellant's initial brief was returned as deficient per the August 15, 2005, order.