

Dismissed and Opinion filed March 1, 2001.

In The
Fourteenth Court of Appeals

NO. 14-00-01513-CR

CARLOS REYES, Appellant

V.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, Appellee

**On Appeal from the 230th District
Harris County, Texas
Trial Court Cause No. 837,083**

MEMORANDUM OPINION

After a guilty plea, appellant was convicted of the offense of aggravated robbery and sentenced to twenty-five years in prison on September 20, 2000. No motion for new trial was filed. Appellant's notice of appeal was not filed until November 27, 2000.

A defendant's notice of appeal must be filed within thirty days after sentence is imposed when the defendant has not filed a motion for new trial. *See* TEX. R. APP. P. 26.2(a)(1). A notice of appeal which complies with the requirements of Rule 26 is essential to vest the court of appeals with jurisdiction. *See Slaton v. State*, 981 S.W.2d 208, 210 (Tex. Crim. App. 1998). If an appeal is not timely perfected, a court of appeals does not obtain

jurisdiction to address the merits of the appeal. Under those circumstances it can take no action other than to dismiss the appeal. *See id.*

Accordingly, the appeal is ordered dismissed.

PER CURIAM

Judgment rendered and Opinion filed March 1, 2001.

Panel consists of Senior Chief Justice Murphy, Justices Edelman and Frost.¹

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¹ Senior Chief Justice Paul C. Murphy sitting by assignment.