## DISMISS, DENY and Opinion Filed July 2, 2020



## In The Court of Appeals Fifth District of Texas at Dallas

No. 05-20-00643-CV

## IN RE DAY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC, JASON MARTINEZ AND ANGELA YAUN, Relators

Original Proceeding from the 416th Judicial District Court Collin County, Texas Trial Court Cause No. 416-02300-2020

## **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

Before Justices Bridges, Osborne, and Reichek Opinion by Justice Reichek

Before the Court are relators' June 26, 2020 petition for writ of injunction and motion for emergency stay. In the petition, relators ask the Court to enjoin the scheduled foreclosure sale of their property.

A court of appeals "may issue a writ of mandamus and all other writs necessary to enforce jurisdiction of the court." Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 22.221(a). For example, a court of appeals may issue a writ of injunction to prevent an appeal from becoming moot. *Dallas Morning News v. Fifth Court of Appeals*, 842 S.W.2d 655, 657 (Tex. 1992) (orig. proceeding); *In re Shields*, 190 S.W.3d 717, 719 (Tex. App.—Dallas 2005, orig. proceeding).

At the same time, "[t]he power granted by section 22.221(a) of the

government code is not a power that is granted to prevent damage to the appellant

pending appeal." In re Harris, No. 05-14-00692-CV, 2014 WL 2527488, at \*1 (Tex.

App.—Dallas Jun. 3, 2014, orig. proceeding). "That purpose is served by the statutes

allowing appellants to supersede judgments by posting an appropriate bond." Id.

Rather, the power to issue a writ of injunction is limited to the purpose of protecting

appellate jurisdiction. *Id*.

Here, relators assert that the pending foreclosure threatens this Court's

jurisdiction over their existing appeal. But unlike the cases cited by relators

involving appeals of interlocutory orders, the foreclosure of the property at issue

does not moot their claims in the appeal and, thus, does not implicate the Court's

jurisdiction over the appeal. Accordingly, because we lack jurisdiction to issue a writ

of injunction under section 22.221(a) of the government code, we **DISMISS** the

petition for writ of injunction. Having dismissed the original proceeding, we also

**DENY** relators' motion for emergency stay as moot.

/Amanda L. Reichek/

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