COURT OF APPEALS

ELEVENTH APPELLATE DISTRICT COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO, : MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff-Appellee, :

CASE NO. 2004-P-0097

- VS - :

EDWARD G. HARDY, :

Defendant-Appellant. :

Civil Appeal from the Court of Common Pleas, Case No. 95 CR 0209.

Judgment: Appeal Dismissed.

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DIANE V. GRENDELL, J.

- {¶1} On November 5, 2004, appellant, Edward G. Hardy, filed a notice of appeal from an October 5, 2004 judgment of the Portage County Court of Common Pleas. Thus, appellant's notice of appeal was filed thirty-one days after the judgment had been issued by the trial court.
- {¶2} App.R. 4(A) s"A party shall file the notice of appeal required by App.R. 3 within thirty days of the later of entry of the judgment or order appealed or, in a civil

case, service of the notice of judgment and its entry if service is not made on the party

within the three day rule period in Rule 58(B) of the Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure."

{¶3} Loc.R. 5(C) of the Eleventh District Court of Appeals provides:

{¶4} "In the filing of a Notice of Appeal in civil cases in which the trial court clerk

has not complied with Ohio Civ.R. 58(B), and the Notice of Appeal is deemed to be filed

out of rule, appellant shall attach an affidavit from the trial court clerk stating that service

was not perfected pursuant to Ohio App.R. 4(A). The clerk shall then perfect service

and furnish this Court with a copy of the appearance docket in which date of service has

been noted. Lack of compliance shall result in the sua sponte dismissal of the appeal

under Ohio App.R. 4(A)." (Emphasis sic.)

{¶5} In the present case, appellant has not complied with the thirty-day rule set

forth in App.R. 4(A) nor has he alleged that there was a failure by the trial court clerk to

comply with Civ. R. 58(B). The time requirement is judisdictional in nature, and may not

be enlarged by an appellate court. State ex rel. Pendell v. Adams Cty. Bd. of Elections

(1988), 40 Ohio St.3d 58, 60; App.R. 14(B).

{¶6} Accordingly, this appeal is dismissed sua sponte pursuant to App. R. 4(A).

DONALD R. FORD, P. J.,

WILLIAM M. O'NEILL, J.,

concur.

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