

**Appeals You Never Thought You Would  
See:  
The Basics on Juvenile and CPS Appeals**

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# Juvenile Appeals

## Advising the Client

- Right to Appeal: Child or State
- Appellate Process
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- Withdrawing As Counsel

## Child's Right to Appeal TFC § 56.01(c)

Child may appeal:

- Finding that child engaged in delinquent conduct or CINS
- Disposition or modifying disposition
- Mental health commitment (Chapter 55)
- Requiring sex offender registration
- Transfer/Release hearing

## Child's Right to Appeal TFC § 56.01

- Certification as an adult – Accelerated
  - TFC § 56.01(h), (h-1)
- No Appeal if a plea bargain agreement unless:
  - Court grants permission to appeal
  - Based on written pre-trial motions
  - TFC § 56.01(n)

## Child's Right to Counsel on Appeal - TFC § 56.01(d)

- Entitled to representation by counsel on appeal and
- Appointment of attorney if indigent

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