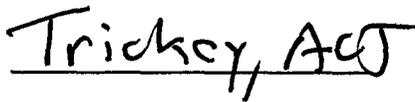


the commitment hearing, the hearing never happened. Thus, her rights were not affected by the order. Accordingly, she may not appeal.¹

The appeal is dismissed.



We concur:



¹ The parties mistakenly argue that this case is moot but should be reviewed because it presents an issue of great public importance. See Sorenson v. City of Bellingham, 80 Wn.2d 547, 558, 496 P.2d 512 (1972). But the issue presented did not become "purely academic," Grays Harbor Paper Co. v. Grays Harbor County, 74 Wn.2d 70, 73, 442 P.2d 967 (1968), while the case was on appeal. Indeed, at no time did this case "become moot." Grays Harbor Paper Co., 74 Wn.2d at 73. To the contrary, T.M.L. was never aggrieved by the trial court ruling. T.M.L. never had a right to appeal and this court is without discretion to entertain her arguments.