

**Alvarez v. State**

After the principal failed to appear in court, the judge ordered the bond to be forfeited. The State sought a summary judgment on the bond which was granted by the court. The surety appealed the decision, claiming that the bond was invalid because bond had been revoked before the forfeiture judgment was entered. Although the court reversed the case on other grounds, the decision reflected the opinion of the court that in order to survive summary judgment, the State was required to prove four factual elements: (1) existence of a valid bond; (2) a failure to appear; (3) that the name of the party was called at the courthouse door; and (4) lack of a valid reason for the party not appearing when called.